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## **ABSTRACT**

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Recent progress in Computational Fluid Dynamics is encouraging scientists to look at fine details of flow physics of problems in which natural unsteady phenomena have hitherto been neglected. The acceleration methods that have proven very successful in steady state computations can be explored for time dependent computations. In this work, an efficient multigrid methods is developed to solve the time-dependent Euler and Navier-Stokes equations. The Beam-Warming ADI method is used as the base algorithm for time stepping calculations. Application of the developed algorithm proved very efficient in selected steady and unsteady test problems. For instance, the inherent unsteadiness present in the supersonic mixed compression inlet flow is identified and studied with a saving in CPU time of more than two orders of magnitude less than corresponding single grid computations. To achieve this success, detailed local mode analysis is performed to compute the smoothing factor and the bi-grid amplification factor. Multigrid performance is predicted using these two factors. The results obtained for various implicit schemes for solving the Euler and Navier-Stokes equations are presented and discussed. The bi-grid analysis was found to possess more accurate predictive capability.

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## DEDICATION

To time;

In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

*By time,  
Certainly man is in a state of loss,  
Except those who believe and do good works,  
And exhort one another to the truth,  
And exhort one another to endurance.*

Quran, Chap. 103.

*Seneca and philosophers of old  
bewail time's loss more than the loss of gold:  
"Lost money is not lost beyond recall,  
But loss of time brings on the loss of all"*

Geoffrey Chaucer, 1342–1400.

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## NOMENCLATURES

$A, B, C$	Cartesian inviscid Jacobians
CFL	Courant–Friedricks–Lewy number
$c$	sonic speed
$c_p, c_v$	specific heat constants
$E, F, G$	conserved inviscid fluxes in Cartesian or Curvilinear coordinates
$E_v, F_v, G_v$	viscous fluxes in Cartesian or Curvilinear coordinates
$e_o$	total specific internal energy
$I$	identity matrix
$I$	$\sqrt{-1}$
$i, j, k$	nodal points
$k$	thermal conductivity
$L, N$	generic operators
$N, K, L$	Fourier symbols
$Pe$	Peclet number
$p$	pressure
$Q$	solution vector
$R$	residuals
$Re$	Reynolds number
$t$	time
$T$	temperature
$U$	a constant vector
$u, v, w$	velocity components
$X_A, X_B, X_C$	eigenvectors of $A, B$ and $C$
$x, y, z$	Cartesian coordinates



### *Greek Symbols*

$\beta$	implicitness factor
$\gamma$	specific gas constant
$\Delta$	incremental change
$\delta_{ij}$	Kronecker delta
$\delta_x, \delta_y, \delta_z$	finite difference operators for first derivatives
$\varepsilon_e, \varepsilon_i$	constant coefficients of dissipation
$\Theta^1 = \theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z$	modes in x, y, z directions
$\varkappa_2, \varkappa_4$	constant coefficient of dissipation
$\lambda_{\max}$	amplification factor
$\lambda_{\max\_bg}$	bi-grid amplification factor
$\lambda_\mu, \lambda_{\mu\_sg}$	smoothing factor
$\nu, \lambda$	coefficients of viscosity
$\varrho$	density
$\varrho_{mg}$	multigrid asymptotic convergence rate

### *Superscripts*

h, H	grid levels
–	non-positive eigenvalues
+	non-negative eigenvalues
n, p	time levels
^	Fourier symbols
*	intermediate solutions

### *Subscripts*

i	grid points
$\infty$	free-stream value
r	reference
x, y, z	indicates derivatives relative to these Cartesian directions

# **Chapter 1**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The field of Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) has been substantially developed to unravel the underlying physics of many complex flow phenomena that are difficult or even impossible to study experimentally. The success of CFD is directly linked with the rapid development of computers in the last two decades. A great number of numerical algorithms have been formulated to resolve the physics that characterize different aerodynamic fluid flow problems. The necessity to study the finely detailed models of physics in a steady or unsteady flow demands fine grid resolutions and a good choice of solution technique. For flows with engineering significance, the full Navier–Stokes equations, very often the Reynolds–averaged form have been found to yield acceptable results for flow characteristics including heat transfer. However, even for this time–averaged approximation, the computational cost is often too expensive. To reduce this cost, acceleration techniques such as residual smoothing, local time stepping, enthalpy damping and multigrid are introduced. So far, multigrid is considered the most effective, especially when used to solve a strongly elliptic problem where only one or a few iterations are needed for convergence. Structurally, multigrid algorithms iterates on a hierarchy of consecutively coarser and coarser grids to accelerate convergence on the finest grid. However, the total computational work involved to capture real physical changes with multigrid is effectively less when compared to single grid computation.

## 1.1 Historical Review of Multigrid Methods

Multiple grids were first proposed in the form of two-grid level schemes to accelerate the convergence of iterative procedures by Southwell (1935), Stiefel (1952), Federenko (1961), amongst others. Full multiple grid methods were introduced for the Poisson equation by Federenko (1964) and the approach was generalized by Bakhvalov (1966) to any second-order elliptic operator with continuous coefficients. According to Stuben and Trottenberg (1982), Hackbush (1976) also independently developed some fundamental elements of the multigrid method. Perhaps the most influential work on the application of multigrid methods to elliptic type problems is the paper by Brandt (1977) which also introduced the use of local mode analysis to determine the smoothing rates of multigrid schemes. Multigrid acceleration was also successfully applied to the transonic potential flow equation, which is of mixed elliptic-hyperbolic type, by South and Brandt (1976), Jameson (1979), McCarthy and Reyhner (1982), and a host of other researchers.

Most of the theory of the effectiveness of multigrid schemes pertained to problems with some measure of ellipticity. However, Ni (1981) proposed a distributed correction multigrid method based on an explicit scheme for solving the Euler equations in the steady state. Convergence acceleration due to the multigrid scheme was by at most a factor of five which was worse than typical speedup factors in applications to elliptic equations. Furthermore the scheme was only first-order accurate and was restricted to a CFL number of one. Jameson (1983) proposed an explicit four-stage time stepping multigrid algorithm for the steady-state Euler equations. The method was second-order accurate and the limiting CFL number for stability was 2.6—2.8. The mechanism for multigrid convergence acceleration to steady state in systems with little ellipticity is that larger time steps can be taken on coarser grids, while still maintaining the same CFL number, such that disturbances are more rapidly expelled through the boundaries. The interpolation of corrections from the coarse grid to the fine grid may introduce additional high frequency errors which must be rapidly damped if

the scheme is to be effective. Thus a requirement of any solution scheme to be used successfully in a multigrid procedure is that it rapidly dampens high frequency modes of the error.

Mulder (1989) presented a multigrid scheme to solve the two dimensional Euler equations with a finite-volume method which used van Leer's flux-vector splitting for upwind differencing and a symmetric Gauss-Siedel method as a relaxation scheme. Multigrid speedup factors were roughly nine and six for first-order and second-order accurate schemes, respectively. Anderson et al. (1988) also found similar multigrid convergence acceleration rates in the solution of the three-dimensional Euler equations with flux-vector splitting and three different approximate factorization schemes. Typically, 200—400 multigrid cycles were required for convergence to the level of the truncation errors. An interesting result was that although the three-factor spatially split factorization was stable only for CFL numbers below 20, it produced the fastest multigrid convergence of all the schemes. This was obtained at a CFL number of seven.

Jameson and Yoon (1986) presented finite-volume based multigrid methods for the 2-D Euler equations using an ADI scheme with approximate factorization. The differential operators were approximated with central differences with second and fourth-difference artificial dissipation terms added for stability and convergence. It was found that implicit fourth difference dissipation was required for efficient multigrid convergence. However, this required the solution of a block pentadiagonal system which was more expensive than the block-tridiagonal system resulting from the use of implicit second-difference dissipation. Compared with the single grid computation the multigrid speedup factor (based on residual reduction) was about eight in the former and four in the latter. Multigrid methods coupled with grid sequencing enabled quite rapid establishment of the solution fields, so that based on the buildup of the supersonic region, the speedup factors in the study above were twice as large. The problem with the ADI scheme as a baseline solver is that in

three-dimensions, a three-factor split is required and linearized stability analysis shows that this is only conditionally stable. To alleviate this problem Jameson and Yoon (1987) devised a multigrid method for 2-D Euler equations which used the lower-upper (LU) factorized implicit scheme of Jameson and Turkel (1981) as the baseline solver. Yokota and Caughey (1988) have developed a similar scheme for the calculation of three-dimensional transonic flow through rotating cascades. The scheme has only two factors and is unconditionally stable. It is indeed very similar to the flux-vector splitting method based on the eigenvalue-factored split investigated by Anderson et al. (1988). Their finding that although the three-factored split (similar to ADI) is only conditionally stable, it provided a better multigrid convergence rate than the unconditionally stable eigenvalue-split method (similar to LU), is noteworthy. However, one advantage of the LU scheme is that it requires cheaper block-bidiagonal inversions compared with block-tridiagonal or pentadiagonal inversions for an ADI scheme. The latter is necessary if implicit fourth-difference dissipation terms are used for better accuracy and convergence. Caughey (1988) demonstrated that block-pentadiagonal inversions in the ADI scheme could be reduced to scalar pentadiagonal ones by using a local similarity transformation to diagonalize the equations at each point. Thus, the computational work was reduced by a factor of four, and the decoupled system had similar convergence characteristics as the original one. Caughey and Iyer (1988) applied the scheme to solve the Euler equations for a supersonic inlet flow and found that the multigrid speedup factor was only 2.5, i.e., somewhat less than was found in transonic and subsonic flows. Yokota, Caughey and Chima (1988) also diagonalized the LU implicit multigrid scheme with no degradation in performance.

So far in this review, we have considered the application of multigrid methods to the Euler equations or potential flow equations. Several applications to the Navier-Stokes equations for incompressible fluid flow have been reported (Vanka (1986), Demuren (1989), Thompson and Ferziger (1989), Demuren (1992)). The relaxation schemes in all these applications are pressure-based in contrast to time-stepping schemes more common in

compressible flow applications. Multigrid speedup in the range of a few percent to factors of hundreds have been reported. It is likely that in the latter cases, the baseline relaxation scheme did not have good convergence properties for the particular applications. However, one of the attractions of the multigrid method is that a poor single-grid solver may actually have good high frequency smoothing properties and thus be an effective multigrid relaxation scheme. Rhie (1989) presented a pressure-based multigrid method for solving the Navier-Stokes equations over the range of flow speeds encompassing both the compressible and the incompressible fluid flow. Himansu and Rubin (1988) also presented a novel pressure-based multigrid method for the reduced Navier-Stokes equations for compressible and incompressible fluid flows. Apart from the obvious difficulties of the treatment of viscous terms and the implementation of a turbulence model, the solution of the Navier-Stokes equations usually requires the clustering of grids near walls in order to resolve the boundary layer, which often increases the stiffness of the system of equations and slows down the convergence rate of many iterative schemes. Multigrid convergence acceleration also tended to degrade with increase in Reynolds number. These difficulties fall under the category of problems with standard multigrid methods classified by Brandt (1977) as due to the alignment of coefficients of difference equations. He proposed that the problem be overcome by doing line relaxations in 2-D or plane relaxations in 3-D in the direction of alignment, or to perform only semi-coarsening of the grids in one of the directions instead of the more usual full coarsening, which should reduce the anisotropy of the coefficients. Himansu and Rubin (1988) implemented some aspect of both strategies with some success. Mulder (1989) considered the problem of alignment in somewhat more details and found that semi-coarsening in one direction was inadequate to cure it. Rather, it must be used in several directions at every grid level. Hence, in a 2-D problem two coarse grids are created for each finer grid, which implies that the total number of grid points and hence the operation count would be the same at each grid level. Such a scheme would negate one of the advantages of the multigrid method, namely, that all the computational work in performing

relaxations on coarse grids was cheaper than comparable work on the finest grid. So he devised a special procedure which ensured that on coarse grids, the total number of grids points was reduced and less computational work was done. The resulting scheme was shown to be efficient in resolving some flows with alignment, but it appears to be rather complicated to implement, and it is doubtful that it will find its way into a general purpose computer code anytime soon.

Implementation of the multigrid method in time-stepping solution schemes for the compressible Navier–Stokes equations appear to be a straightforward extension of that for the Euler equations. Although, for the reasons given above, worse performance may be expected. Chima, Turkel and Schaffer (1987) compared implementations of three types of multigrid methods in explicit time-stepping multistage solution methods for Euler and Navier–Stokes equations. They found the Full multigrid–Full approximation storage (FMG–FAS) method proposed by Brandt (1977) to be the most efficient producing speedup factors of about 8.5 in the solution of the Euler equations for selected problems, but only about 2.1 in the solution of the Navier–Stokes equations. Multigrid schemes which use explicit time-stepping algorithm to solve the 3–D, compressible Navier–Stokes equations have also been reported by Arnone and Swanson (1988), Radespiel et. al (1990) and Swanson and Radespiel (1991). These are mostly central–differencing approximation methods, and the choice of artificial dissipation was found to be very important for efficient convergence. Yokota (1989) extended the previous implementation for the Euler equations (Yokota et. al, (1988)) to the Reynolds–averaged, Navier–Stokes equations. The  $k - \varepsilon$  turbulence model was used to approximate the Reynolds stresses. Application to the calculation of the three–dimensional flow through blade passages showed convergence rates similar to those for the Euler equations. The use of wall–functions meant that the boundary layer need not be fully resolved so that grids with very high aspect ratios could be avoided, and hence, the lack of performance degradation. A novel method for solving the

compressible, steady, Navier–Stokes equations was presented by Koren (1990). A first–order accurate upwind method with good smoothing properties was used for the discretization of the equations. Second–order accuracy was achieved through defect correction. The whole multigrid scheme exhibited good convergence characteristics in smooth flows, but somewhat poorer performance in non–smooth flows with shocks.

In the computation of flows in very complex geometries such as around multi–element airfoils or in complex inlet sections, two approaches are popular: unstructured grids or multiple blocks of structured grids. Multigrid acceleration has also been achieved in solutions of the Euler and Navier–Stokes equations with either approach. Mavriplis (1988, 1990) has demonstrated good multigrid convergence for the solution of the Euler equations on unstructured triangular meshes. Mavriplis and Jameson (1990) presented a similar implementation for the Navier–Stokes equations. Multigrid, multiblock methods were presented for the Euler equations by Yadlin and Caughey (1991) and for the Navier–Stokes equations by Baysal et. al. (1991) and Elmiligui (1992). In the above reviews, multigrid acceleration has been applied only to steady problems. However, many flows practical importance are unsteady.

## **1.2 Application of Multigrid Methods to Unsteady Flows**

Steady flow analysis has occupied experimentalists and computational fluid dynamists for almost a century (Azoury, 1992). The most significant flows of interest are, however, unsteady in nature. Non–steady phenomena such as buffet, wake, spin, wing rock, inlet buzz, etc., occur when associated flows enter the ‘unsteady regime’. For example, separation of boundary layer at some point in dynamic pitching of aircraft near the wing’s leading edge gives rise to vortices which move downstream on the wings, altering pressure distribution and producing brief but amplified aerodynamic forces and moments (Michel, 1993). Detailed understanding of the unsteady phenomenon is necessary for active control



implementation and, even, continued exploitation of unsteady characteristics such as exist in inlet and exhaust manifolds of reciprocating internal combustion engines. In scramjet (Supersonic Combustion ramjet), compression is achieved by pressure waves in the inlet section rather than by any mechanical means. Other applications of unsteady fluid flow include diverse areas as wind energy conversion system, tidal wave power, and thrust-augmenting pulsed ejectors. A variety of more important applications of unsteady flow is presented by Edwards (1986).

The Method of Characteristics (MOC) was for a long time the only analytical tool used to solve unsteady problems which are modeled as 1-D wave equations (Azoury, 1992). More recently, applications of CFD techniques to solving unsteady flow are becoming popular. The successes reported so far, however, are at the expense of a huge computational cost, and acceleration techniques that can substantially reduce the expense are still in their infancy.

Few works have attempted to accelerate the convergence of solution methods for unsteady flows using multigrid techniques. The prominent ones are those by Jespersen (1985), Brandt and Greenwald (1991), Jiang and Chen (1990), Horton and Vandewalle (1993), Jameson (1991), Melson et al. (1993), and Arnone et. al. (1993). Jespersen introduced a multigrid time stepping method that approximates the true time dependent evolution of an explicit scheme. Based on the heuristic reasoning that signals travel twice as fast on coarser grids than on a fine grid, he assumed that a multigrid sequence with two grid-level will require a time step roughly three times that of a single grid algorithm, and with three grid levels, seven times as much. However, he observed that accuracy decreases as the number of grid levels is increased. The time-accurate multigrid method proposed by Brandt and Greenwald (1991) is oriented towards parabolic equations. This involves advancing the solution in time simultaneously on the finest and on coarser grids while the accuracy of the finest grid solution is preserved on all grids. He devised different strategies that assigned most of the work involved to the coarser grids while the finest grid is visited only when significant

changes have occurred in the high frequency components of the solutions. The works of Jiang and Chen, and Horton and Vandewalle cited above are along this approach. Both exploited multigrid methods for the solution of Poisson's equation required at each time step of the unsteady calculation using Pressure-based technique. In a way that paralleled Taylor's work (1989) for steady flows, Jameson pioneered a multigrid scheme that can drive a fully implicit time stepping algorithm formulated in physical time  $t$ . This is particularly useful for problems with large variations in mesh sizes where the use of an explicit scheme would result in a very severe restrictions on the time step. On a fictitious pseudotime axis,  $\tau$ , he used an explicit Runge-Kutta method to solve the non-linear implicit equations that arise at each time step  $\Delta t$  while using a multigrid method for faster convergence. However, stability problems especially at high Reynolds numbers can occur when the time step in the fictitious time exceeds the physical one. Following this approach, Melson et al. and Arnone et al. used linear stability analysis for model equations to arrive at an appropriate choice of  $\Delta \tau$ . Melson, further, modified his Runge-Kutta (R-K) scheme to alleviate this problem. To take advantage of implicit methods and approximate factorization methods, however, a technique that uses implicit time stepping rather than the explicit R-K method is going to be developed in the body of this thesis.

### 1.3 Time Integration

Accurate evolution of time-dependent fluid flow problems and the stability of numerical schemes are greatly dependent on the type of time integration employed. Time integration techniques that have been used to solve the Navier-Stokes equations can be broadly classified as either explicit or implicit schemes.

In explicit methods, a single set of unknown vectors that are required to be solved appears on the one side of the algebraic equations resulting from discretization. Solutions to these vectors at the present time are completely dependent on the solutions at previous times.

Explicit methods are very easy to work with and need fewer operation counts, especially for unsteady problems. They are very efficient for unsteady flows with little variation in velocity and mesh density. However, they suffer from severe limitation on the time step due to stability requirements. Where stability requirements dictate very small time steps, the temporal accuracy may be impaired and/or the computation time to drive the solution to steady state may become excessive. Also explicit techniques demand that each equation solved should have a time derivative term, but in incompressible flow this is absent in the continuity equation. In this case a special treatment (e.g. the introduction of artificial compressibility) may be necessary. This, of course, detracts from its advantages.

Implicit methods are desirable especially for stiff problems where disparate time scales are associated with the governing equations; e.g., in combustion processes. Implicit methods are unconditionally stable and thus allow for larger time steps, limited only by accuracy requirements, non-linearity and boundary treatment. Although they require larger operation counts when compared with explicit schemes, they may be optimum in time-dependent problems when the time scale of the unsteady phenomenon is much larger than the time step allowed by the Courant–Lewis–Fredriechs (CFL) condition (e.g., flow along an oscillating airfoil). The possibility of utilizing a larger time step than the CFL limit leads to a welcome gain in computational efficiency. Since a system of algebraic equations is solved either by direct or iterative methods at each time step, the implicit difference operator is constructed to guarantee diagonal dominance for convenient resolution of the equations. Sometimes in order to make the computation of the algebraic set of equations amenable to the tridiagonal matrix solution method, an implicit scheme can also be cast into a predictor–corrector form, where the implicit term is approximately factored into a set of smaller terms either over space or eigenvalue. The most popular methods include the Alternating Direction Implicit (ADI), the Lower and Upper (LU) decomposition and some upwind based factorization methods. In this work several kinds of approximate factorization schemes will be investigated for stability.

## 1.4 Stability Analysis

Although implicit numerical schemes allow for larger time steps for advancing the solution of the Euler and Navier–Stokes equations to steady state, approximate factorization (AF) is often introduced for efficiency. In the approximate factorization method, the complicated multi–dimensional matrix equation obtained at each time step is approximately factored into simpler one–dimensional terms which are easily invertible. Although this technique reduces the computational cost by taking advantage of the Tridiagonal Method (TDM), the approximation introduces errors that may place limitations on the CFL number and, thus, on the overall efficiency of the algorithm. As observed by Thomas et al. (1985), the approximately factored scheme has even greater stability restrictions in 3–D, and also an optimal convergence time step that is not known a priori. Therefore, to avoid the long and costly approach of trial and error of obtaining an optimal CFL number, it is highly desirable to carry out a stability analysis for any numerical scheme. Some researchers have found that analyzing scalar equations such as the convection or the diffusion equation can provide insight into the stability requirements for Euler and Navier–Stokes equations. Beam and Warming (1978) employed a combination of these scalar equations to approximate the restriction that were placed on their ADI methods for compressible Navier–Stokes equations. Jameson and Yoon (1986) and Caughey (1988), among others, used the scalar convection equation as a model problem for the Euler equations to investigate appropriate conditions for multigrid implementation. Rather than utilizing model equations, Jespersen and Pulliam (1983) developed a technique whereby Fourier analysis is extended to the actual coupled equations for the quasi–one–dimensional Euler equations. Jespersen (1983) further extended this technique to the 2–D Euler equations in order to find the best conditions at which to implement multigrid for a transonic flow. Thomas et al. (1985), von Lavante (1986) and Anderson et al. (1988) have also utilized a similar approach in the stability analysis of the Euler equations for certain approximate factorization and relaxation schemes. Finally,

Demuren and Ibraheem (1993, 1994) have also adopted this approach to investigate the stability of certain implicit solution techniques of the 3-D Euler and Navier-Stokes equations. Utilizing the frozen coefficients from actual supersonic and transonic flow fields of a quasi 1-D Euler equations, they further established the suitability of using uniform flow field in the stability analysis.

Substantial progress has been made to develop the multigrid method both theoretically and practically in all aspect of physics. However, the most influential work on the application of multigrid methods to elliptic type problems is, perhaps, that of Brandt (1977) who also proposed the use of local mode analysis to determine the smoothing rate of multigrid schemes.

In local mode analysis, the maximum eigenvalue (called the smoothing factor) of a particular relaxation technique computed over only the high-frequency modes is used as a measure of the relaxation's effectiveness in a multigrid scheme since, in this case, the role of relaxation is not to reduce the total error but to smoothen it out; i.e., remove the high-frequency components. It is assumed that the high-frequency modes have short wavelength that are spatially decoupled and that all high-frequency waves are completely "killed" on the fine grid and are not visible to the coarse grids. This, however, is not always the case since the inter-grid processes also influence the convergence rate. Brandt (1991) presented theoretical considerations for including the transfer processes in the local mode analysis in what is called the bi-grid method. Also, some theoretical background is given by Stuben and Trottenberg (1982) on how to compute a more realistic amplification factor for multigrid methods based on the bi-grid analysis, where some convergence norms were computed for the Poisson and Helmholtz equations.

A number of works exist where the smoothing factor has been used to predict multigrid performance in practice. However, the bi-grid analysis is becoming more attractive because of its better accuracy and reliability. Van Asselt (1982) used the bi-grid analysis to determine

the proper amount of artificial viscosity to add at the different levels of coarse grids in a multigrid application. Mulder (1988, 1989) has also used the bi-grid method to construct an effective semi-coarsening in a multigrid method that can solve the problem of strong alignment which often occurs in convection problems. To select a relaxation scheme for a multigrid method suitable for a parallel solution of a time-dependent problem, Horton and Vandewall (1993) employed this technique using the heat equation as their model problem. The cause of the poor multigrid convergence rate that is experienced in high-Reynolds number flows (where the coarse grid corrections fail to approximate the fine grid problem well enough for certain components) has also been investigated by Brandt and Yavneh (1993) using the bi-grid method. In an effort to develop an effective multigrid algorithm for Navier-Stokes solutions on an unstructured grid with  $O(N)$  complexity, Morano (1992), and Morano and Dervieux (1993) have used the bi-grid analysis on a 1-D model scalar convection equation with periodic boundary conditions. More recently, Ibraheem and Demuren (1994) also presented some convergence norms for the Burger's equation based on bi-grid analysis.

Although the implicit numerical schemes are becoming very popular, only few works exist to show the effectiveness of multigrid methods in these schemes especially when approximate factorization is introduced. Jameson (1986) and Caughey (1988), for example, used the smoothing factor and scalar convection equation as a model for the Euler equations to investigate multigrid performance. Anderson et. al. (1988), and Demuren and Ibraheem (1993) have also computed the smoothing factors on the actual coupled Euler equations for some popular approximate factorizations. The latter work investigated the Navier-Stokes equations as well. In order to compare the predictive capability of smoothing factors with the spectral radius obtained from bi-grid analysis, Ibraheem and Demuren (1994) considered the full Euler and Navier-Stokes Equations solved with different numerical schemes. In this work, amplification, smoothing and bi-grid factors for various schemes will be documented.

## 1.5 Inlet Flows

Among the problems of practical importance that are characterized by unsteadiness of the flow field is the engine inlet of aircraft. Aircraft are equipped with a diffuser (inlet) to decelerate and, thus, compress the air from the ambient conditions to the conditions required at the inflow to the compressor of the engine. Inlet sections for subsonic flight and supersonic flight are shown in Figs. 1.1(a) and 1.1(b) (Kerrebrock, 1992), respectively. In addition to requirements of the subsonic inlet, the supersonic inlet is designed to decelerate the flow from the supersonic speeds such that the loss in total pressure due to the existence of shock waves is minimized. This is sometime achieved by decelerating the fluid in a series of oblique shock waves rather than a single, strong shock in what is known as the mixed compression inlet (see Fig. 1.1(c)).

Two prominent geometries have been proposed for high speed flow (supersonic and hypersonic speed range) one at NASA Langley Research Center and the other at NASA Lewis Research Center. In both cases, several studies have been conducted experimentally and computationally. At the Mach number of 4.0, Kanda et al. (1991) obtained measurements of skin friction, static pressure distributions, density profiles and qualitative shadowgraph photography based on the NASA Langley-type model shown in Fig 1.1(d). Among computational investigations that have been carried out to arrive at variations of this geometry for optimal design and operations, the works of Kumar (1981, 1985), Kumar et al. (1986, 1992), White et al. (1986), Srinivansan et al. (1989), Singh et al. (1992) and Korte et al. (1993) are significant.

For more than four decades, NASA Lewis Research Center has been the site of leading-edge aeropropulsion research (Michel, 1993). NASA Lewis has a number of wind tunnels, including a 10X10 ft supersonic wind tunnel which can function as a closed loop, recirculating air like most other wind tunnels, or as an open loop tunnel in which full-scale engines can be operated. In its closed loop configuration, the tunnel can simulate

atmospheric conditions at altitudes up to 150,000 ft, and in its open-loop configuration, up to 77,000 ft. It provides airflow speeds between Mach 2.0 and 3.5. Of all the various engine inlet configurations tested in this wind tunnel so far, the variable diameter centerbody (VDC) inlet is selected as the most promising candidate for supersonic transport aircraft. The VDC is an axisymmetric mixed compression supersonic inlet that has a translating centerbody with half-cone angles of  $12.5^\circ$  and  $18.5^\circ$  for the first and second cones, respectively. This design concept is used to provide the maximum external compression compatible with high total pressure recovery, relatively low cowl drag and low total pressure distortion. The focusing concept of this inlet permitted significant shortening of the supersonic diffuser (from cowl lip to inlet throat) and thus reduced the amount of cowl bleed necessary at the throat. To vary the contraction ratio for a flight inlet, the second cone would collapse, and at its lowest position it would blend into the first-cone contours so as to provide a single-cone centerbody. This configuration is known as the variable diameter centerbody (VDC) inlet, and it is shown in Fig. 1.1(e) when at 45% contraction. More general description about the specific measuring and control devices installed on this inlet can be found in Wasserbauer's work (1973).

Various experimental work have been carried out on this inlet in the 10X10 ft wind tunnel. Wasserbauer et al. (1973, 1975, 1985), Neumann et al. (1975) and Shaw et al. (1976) conducted series of experiments to determine several design and/or operating conditions for the full-scale supersonic cruise mixed compression inlet. For this kind of inlet, bleed flow removal is usually required on both the cowl and centerbody surfaces to maintain shock-boundary-layer control. They conducted experiments to determine the optimal bleed required for proper control. They concluded that the centerbody-bleed mass flow ratio of 0.02 at an angle of attack less than  $2.55^\circ$  is required, and that the inclusion of cowl bleed only slightly increased the pressure recovery. They also found that a larger angle of attack of  $6.85^\circ$  can be achieved prior to unstart if the mass flow ratio is increased for the cowl bleed. However, this decreases the flight range significantly. In addition to controlling the



boundary-layer development by bleeding, vortex generators are often mounted in the inlet flow to inhibit separation. They found that vortex generators were successful in eliminating separation, increasing area-weighted total pressure recovery, and decreasing distortion. Further, they performed inlet-engine compatibility tests by coupling the full-scale supersonic cruise mixed compression inlet to a TF30-P-3 turbofan engine. The turbofan engine was found to display a high tolerance to the generated inlet distortion.

All the above experiments were initially designed based on the Method of Characteristics and on empirical guidelines. Only recently did Saunders and Keith (1991), and Chung (1994) perform numerical studies using full Navier-Stokes codes to simulate flow based on the input from the full scale configuration. Saunders's studies centered on critical flow conditions which have flow complexities such as shock-shock and shock-boundary layer interactions. His effort was geared more towards generating an efficient grid for the inlet geometry, specifying stable boundary conditions and modeling accurate bleeding for boundary-layer control. The results he obtained compared favorably to method-of-characteristics predictions and to the above experimental data for critical shock positions. Whereas Saunders's studies were based on steady state computations (although the PROTEUS code (1990) and the PARC code he used are time accurate), Chung investigated the same configuration at similar conditions using only the PARC code (Cooper and Sirbaugh, 1989), a time accurate full Navier-Stokes code with the Runge-Kutta scheme as the base-line solver. However, Chung limited his studies to inviscid computations due to the enormous CPU time demanded by the explicit Runge-Kutta scheme for viscous computations. In order to study the more interesting phenomenon of shock-boundary layer interaction, therefore, this work will investigate the inlet flow time-accurately and with the viscous and turbulence effects.

## 1.6 Objectives

The objectives of this work are as follows:

- (1) To formulate von-Neumann type of stability analysis for the 1-D, 2-D and 3-D Euler and Navier-Stokes equations using various numerical schemes. Three upwind-difference based factorizations and two central-difference based factorizations will be selected for the Euler equations. In the upwind factorizations, two popular flux-vector splitting methods, one by Steger-Warming and the other by van Leer, will be used. The Lower and Upper (LU) factorization, and the Beam-Warming ADI methods will be assumed as the base-line algorithms for the central-difference schemes. Further, smoothing factors will be computed to establish the effectiveness of the selected schemes for multigrid application.
- (2) To present a procedure for utilizing the bi-grid amplification factor as a more accurate tool for predicting practical multigrid performance in the above selected schemes. The predictive capability of the bi-grid method will be established using several model equations, including diffusion, convection and the Burger's equations; and several time-stepping methods, such as Euler forward explicit scheme, Runge-Kutta multistage scheme, a fully implicit scheme, and the semi-implicit scheme.
- (3) To develop an efficient multigrid algorithm to solve steady state problems governed by the 2-D Navier-Stokes equations based on the results from the above analysis for the Beam-Warming ADI method.
- (4) To extend the steady multigrid algorithm developed in (3) to unsteady problems.
- (5) Finally, to apply the unsteady multigrid algorithm to study supersonic (VDC) inlet flows.

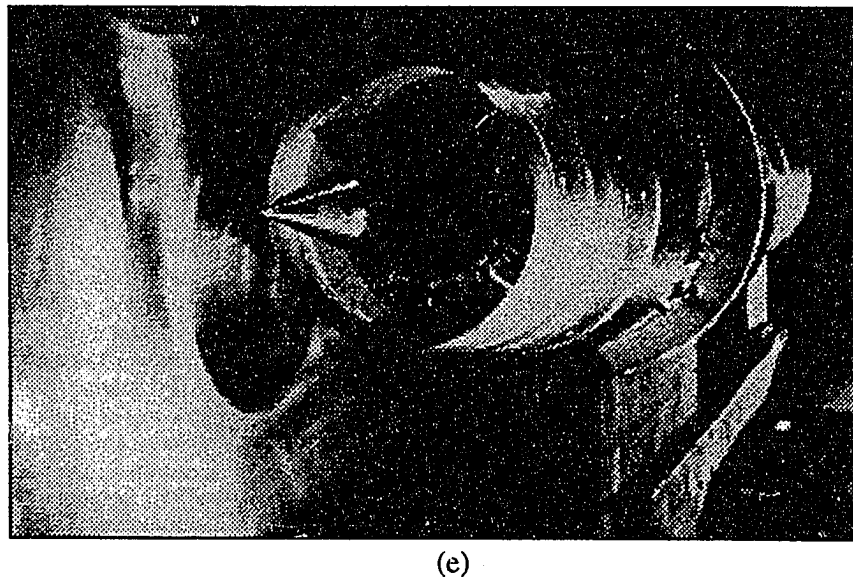
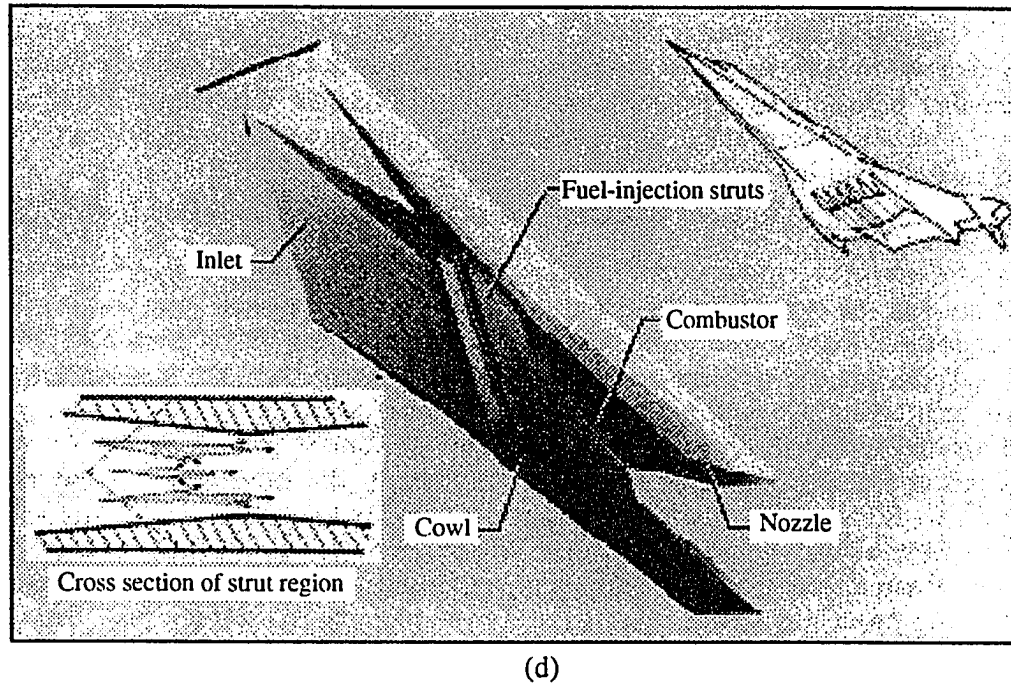
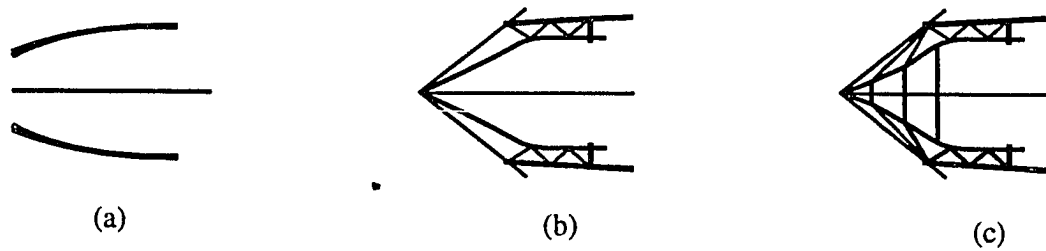


Fig. 1.1: Schematic diagrams of diffusers (a) Subsonic (b) Supersonic mixed compression, single incident shock (c) Supersonic mixed compression, multiple incident shocks (d) Langley-type Scramjet engine module and cross section (Singh et al., 1992) (e) VDC in wind tunnel at 45-Percent contraction (Wasserbauer et al., 1973).

## 1.7 Thesis Outline

In Chap. 2, various approximate factorization methods are investigated for stability and their amplification factors and smoothing factors are computed. Detailed discussion is provided for the bi-grid analysis in Chap. 3. The bi-grid amplification factor for model problems as well as for Euler and Navier–Stokes equations are then computed under various numerical schemes. A brief description of the mathematical formulation of the Beam–Warming ADI method is presented in Chap. 4 for the Navier–Stokes equations, and a steady multigrid technique is introduced for this formulation to solve various steady state cases in Chap. 5. In Chap. 6, an unsteady multigrid formulation is developed and applied to some test problems. Further, using the unsteady multigrid, the supersonic (VDC) inlet flow is studied in Chap. 7. Finally, future research directions are pointed out in Chap. 8.

## **Chapter 2**

### **SINGLE-GRID STABILITY ANALYSIS**

In this chapter, the convergence characteristics of various approximate factorizations for the 3-D Euler and Navier-Stokes equations are examined using the von-Neumann stability analysis method. Three upwind-difference based factorizations and several central-difference based factorizations are considered for the Euler equations. In the upwind factorizations, both the flux-vector splitting methods of Steger-Warming and van Leer are considered. Analysis of the Navier-Stokes equations is performed only on the Beam-Warming central-difference scheme. In each case, the smoothing factor that is often used in prediction multigrid performance are also computed. Some issues central to stability analysis are further clarified.

#### **2.1 Theory and Analysis**

The Fourier analysis is adopted to study the stability analysis of the coupled Euler and Navier-Stokes equations. A discrete analog of these equations is formulated based on various approximate factorizations in this section. The Euler equations are first analyzed using upwind and LU factorizations. The ADI factorization is formulated for the Navier-Stokes equations with the Euler equations as a degenerate case.

##### **2.1.1 Upwind Approximate Factorizations for Euler Equations**

The conservation form of the 3-D Euler equations in Cartesian coordinates can be written as:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial G}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (2.1)$$

where  $Q$  is the solution vector and  $E, F, G$  are the conserved inviscid fluxes:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= [\rho, \rho u, \rho v, \rho w, \rho e_o]^T \\ E &= [\rho u, \rho u^2 + p, \rho uv, \rho uw, (\rho e_o + p)u]^T \\ F &= [\rho v, \rho vu, \rho v^2 + p, \rho vw, (\rho e_o + p)v]^T \\ G &= [\rho w, \rho wu, \rho wv, \rho w^2 + p, (\rho e_o + p)w]^T \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

If the Euler implicit scheme is used for time discretization, Eq. (2.1) can be written in the following form of the augmented Newton's method (1991):

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\partial_x A^n + \partial_y B^n + \partial_z C^n)]\Delta Q^n = -\Delta t(\partial_x E^n + \partial_y F^n + \partial_z G^n) \quad (2.3)$$

where the Jacobians  $A, B, C$  are  $\partial E/\partial Q, \partial F/\partial Q, \partial G/\partial Q$ , respectively. The expressions for  $A, B, C$  and are given in Appendix A. In upwind formulations, these fluxes are split to match the direction of the physical propagation of the solutions. Based on the direction of the characteristics at each grid point, the fluxes are split into their forward and backward contributions. Denoting the forward contribution with  $+$  and the backward with  $-$ , and forward and backward difference operators with  $\delta^+$  and  $\delta^-$ , respectively, we can rewrite Eq. (2.3) as

$$\begin{aligned} &[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_x^+ A^-) + \Delta t(\delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_y^+ B^-) + \Delta t(\delta_z^- C^+ + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q \\ &= -\Delta t(\delta_x^- E^+ + \delta_x^+ E^- + \delta_y^- F^+ + \delta_y^+ F^- + \delta_z^- G^+ + \delta_z^+ G^-) = -\Delta t R^n \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

The left hand side of the equation is usually approximated with first-order differences, but the right hand side uses second-order differences to improve the overall accuracy of the converged solution. However, even with first-order difference approximations of the

implicit terms, the equation is computationally expensive to solve. To reduce this cost, the implicit operator is factored into a sequence of easily invertible terms. Following Anderson et al. (1988) we will consider the following three factorizations:

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_x^+ A^-)][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_y^+ B^-)][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_z^- C^+ + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q = -\Delta t R^n \quad (2.5)$$

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_z^- C^+)]\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^+ A^- + \delta_y^+ B^- + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q = -\Delta t R^n \quad (2.6)$$

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_x^+ A^- + \delta_z^- C^+)]\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_y^+ B^- + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q = -\Delta t R^n \quad (2.7)$$

Equations (2.5), (2.6) and (2.7) shall be referred to as the spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations, respectively. There are different ways of obtaining the split fluxes expressed in the above equations but two popular methods viz.: Steger–Warming (1980) flux–vector splitting, and van Leer (1982) flux–vector splitting, are considered in this work. In the Steger–Warming case, the fluxes are obtained from the following transformation:

$$A^+ = X_A D_A^+ X_A^{-1}, \quad A^- = X_A D_A^- X_A^{-1}, \quad \text{etc.} \quad (2.8)$$

where  $D_A^+$  and  $D_A^-$  are diagonal matrices whose elements are the positive and negative eigenvalues of  $A$ , respectively, and the columns of  $X_A$  are the eigenvectors of Jacobian  $A$ . The terms  $E^+$  and  $E^-$  are obtained from  $E^+ = A^+ Q$ ,  $E^- = A^- Q$  etc. Equation (2.8) gives approximate values for  $A^+$  and  $A^-$ . The exact (true) values are obtained from Jespersen and Pulliam (1983):

$$A^+ = \frac{\partial E^+}{\partial Q}, \quad A^- = \frac{\partial E^-}{\partial Q}, \quad \text{etc.} \quad (2.9)$$

In order to resolve the singular nature of the Steger–Warming flux–vector splitting at the sonic speed, van Leer proposed the following splitting in Cartesian coordinates:

$$E^{\pm} = \pm \frac{\rho(u+a)^2}{4a} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{(\gamma-1)u \pm 2a}{\gamma} \\ v \\ w \\ \frac{[(\gamma-1)u \pm 2a]^2}{2(\gamma^2-1)} + \frac{1}{2}(v^2 + w^2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.10)$$

With similar forms for , the Jacobians etc. are obtained from Eq. (2.9). The analytical expressions for these can be obtained using a symbolic manipulator such as Mathematica. In these expressions, van Leer ensured continuous differentiability of the fluxes especially at the sonic transition and the stagnation point (Hirsh, 1990).

### 2.1.2 LU Approximate Factorization for the Euler Equations

This approach has become popular in recent times. It factors the implicit term of Eq. (2.3) into two components such that each component is strictly either a lower (L) or an upper (U) matrix as in the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A_1 + \delta_y^- B_1 + \delta_z^- C_1)] [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^+ A_2 + \delta_y^+ B_2 + \delta_z^+ C_2)] \Delta Q \\ & = -\Delta t(\delta_x E + \delta_y F + \delta_z G) \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

The Jacobian matrices are split to ensure diagonal dominance for each matrix inversion at each grid point. For our numerical computation we have adopted the flux–vector splitting devised by Jameson and Turkel (1981) viz.:

$$A_1 = \frac{(A + r_A \mathbf{I})}{2}, \quad A_2 = \frac{(A - r_A \mathbf{I})}{2}, \quad \text{etc.} \quad (2.12)$$

In the above,  $r_A \geq \max(|\lambda_A|)$  etc. and  $\lambda_A$  are the eigenvalues of matrix  $A$ , viz.:  $u+a, u-a, u, u, u$ .

The explicit terms are central differenced and it is necessary to damp the associated high frequency waves and/or to correct the odd–even decouplings. In this study, the following



combination of second- and fourth-order explicit linear dissipations,  $D_x^e$  is employed. According to Caughey (1988), and Yokota and Caughey (1988), the former term is necessary for any spurious waves at the vicinity of shock while the latter ensures convergence to steady state.

$$D_x^e = (\kappa_2 \Delta t \Delta x \delta_{xx} - \kappa_4 \Delta t \Delta x^3 \delta_{xxxx}) Q \quad (2.13)$$

Noting that  $\delta_{xx} = (1/\Delta x)(\delta_x^+ - \delta_x^-)$ , the second-order term is split in a manner consistent with the differencing of the Jacobians and is implemented implicitly as often done in practice. Thus, with similar terms in the y and z directions, and their addition to Eq. (2.11) as diagonal matrix coefficients, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t (\delta_x^- A_1 + \delta_y^- B_1 + \delta_z^- C_1) + \kappa_2 \Delta t (\delta_x^- + \delta_y^- + \delta_z^-)] \\ & \times [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t (\delta_x^+ A_2 + \delta_y^+ B_2 + \delta_z^+ C_2) - \kappa_2 \Delta t (\delta_x^+ + \delta_y^+ + \delta_z^+)] \Delta Q \\ & = -\Delta t (\delta_x E + \delta_y F + \delta_z G) - \kappa_4 \Delta t (\Delta x^3 \delta_{xxxx} + \Delta y^3 \delta_{yyyy} + \Delta z^3 \delta_{zzzz}) Q \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

This factorization is similar to the eigenvalue factorization (see Eq. (2.6)) except that the explicit terms are centrally differenced rather than upwinded, thus, requiring the addition of dissipation. Also, the split fluxes of Jameson and Turkel which are less difficult to derive are used to achieve diagonal dominance in this case.  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$  are second- and fourth-order coefficients of dissipation, and although  $\kappa_2$  is implemented implicitly, it is essentially an explicit dissipation coefficient.

### 2.1.3 ADI Factorizations for Euler and Navier–Stokes Equations

The 3-D Navier–Stokes equations in Cartesian coordinates can be written as

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(E - E_v)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(F - F_v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(G - G_v)}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (2.15)$$

where  $E, F, G$  are as defined earlier, and  $E_v, F_v, G_v$  are the viscous fluxes given by

$$\begin{aligned}
E_v &= \left[ 0, \frac{2}{3}\mu(2u_x - v_y - w_z), \mu(u_y + v_x), \mu(u_z + w_x), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mu v(u_y + v_x) + \mu w(u_z + w_x) + \frac{2}{3}\mu u(2u_x - v_y - w_z) + kT_x \right]^T \\
F_v &= \left[ 0, \mu(u_y + v_x), \frac{2}{3}\mu(2v_y - u_x - w_z), \mu(v_z + w_y), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mu u(u_y + v_x) + \mu w(v_z + w_y) + \frac{2}{3}\mu v(2v_y - u_x - w_z) + kT_y \right]^T \\
G_v &= \left[ 0, \mu(w_x + u_z), \mu(v_z + w_y), \frac{2}{3}\mu(2w_z - v_y - u_x), \right. \\
&\quad \left. \mu u(w_x + u_z) + \mu v(v_z + w_y) + \frac{2}{3}\mu w(2w_z - v_y - u_x) + kT_z \right]^T
\end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

In Eq. (2.16),  $T = p/[\rho c_v(\gamma - 1)]$ , and  $p$  is as defined in Appendix A. Also, Stokes hypothesis ( $\lambda = -(2/3)\mu$ ) has been assumed. With  $E_v, F_v, G_v$  set to zero, we recover the Euler equations (2.1). Using the Beam and Warming (1978) scheme, the viscous fluxes are split directionally. Following the approach presented in Anderson et al. (1984) for 2-D Navier-Stokes equations, analysis yields the following ADI approximate factorization for the 3-D Navier-Stokes equations. Here, Euler time integration and constant fluid properties are assumed.

$$\begin{aligned}
&[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x A - \delta_{xx} R)][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y B - \delta_{yy} S)][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_z C - \delta_{zz} Y)]\Delta Q = \\
&\quad - \Delta t[A\delta_x - R\delta_{xx} - R_1\delta_{yx} - R_2\delta_{zx} + B\delta_y - S_1\delta_{xy} - \\
&\quad S\delta_{yy} - S_2\delta_{zy} + C\delta_z - Y_1\delta_{xz} - Y_2\delta_{yz} - Y\delta_{zz}]\Delta Q
\end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

The analytical expression for the various Jacobians (from the viscous fluxes) that appear in this equation are shown in Appendix B. The right-hand side resulted from linearization and from assuming the flux Jacobians to be locally constant. To damp the high-frequency waves that will arise due to central differencing, second-order implicit ( $D_x^i = -\varepsilon \Delta t \Delta x \delta_{xx}$ ) and fourth-order explicit ( $D_x^e = -\varepsilon \Delta t \Delta x^3 \delta_{xxxx}$ ) artificial dissipations are added as diagonal matrix coefficients in the numerical examples. Thus, with similar dissipations added in the  $y$  and  $z$  directions Eq. (2.17) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
& [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x A - \delta_{xx} R - \varepsilon_i \Delta x \delta_{xx})][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y B - \delta_{yy} S - \varepsilon_i \Delta y \delta_{yy})] \\
& \times [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_z C - \delta_{zz} Y - \varepsilon_e \Delta z \delta_{zz})] \Delta Q \\
& = -\Delta t [A \delta_x - R \delta_{xx} - R_1 \delta_{yx} - R_2 \delta_{zx} + B \delta_y - S_1 \delta_{xy} - S \delta_{yy} - S_2 \delta_{zy} \\
& \quad + C \delta_z - Y_1 \delta_{xz} - Y_2 \delta_{yz} - Y \delta_{zz} + \varepsilon_e (\Delta x^3 \delta_{xxx} + \Delta y^3 \delta_{yyy} + \Delta z^3 \delta_{zzz})] Q
\end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

The corresponding factorization for the Euler equations becomes transparent if the viscous flux Jacobians  $R$ ,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $S$ ,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,  $Y$ ,  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$  are set to zero.  $\varepsilon_i$  and  $\varepsilon_e$  are second- and fourth-order coefficients of dissipation just as  $\varkappa_2$  and  $\varkappa_4$  except that  $\varepsilon_i$  is an implicit dissipation coefficient.

In the forgone analyses, different approximate factorizations that are widely used in practice have been formulated for the 3-D Euler and Navier-Stokes equations. The convergence characteristics of each of these are examined using the von-Neumann type Fourier analysis methods.

#### 2.1.4 von-Neumann Stability Analysis

Each of Eqs. (2.5)–(2.7), (2.14) and (2.18) can be expressed as

$$N \Delta Q^n = -L = -\Delta t R^n \tag{2.19}$$

von-Neumann stability analysis is used on this system of linear Eq. (2.19) by letting the step by step solution be characterized by

$$Q^n = U \lambda^n e^{li\theta_x} e^{lj\theta_y} e^{lk\theta_z} \tag{2.20}$$

where  $\lambda$  is the amplification factor and  $\{\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z\}$  represent the modes in the x-, y- and z-directions. Thus, Eq. (2.19) reduces to a complex generalized eigenvalue problem of the form (Andersen et al., 1988):

$$\hat{K} \mathbf{x} = \lambda \hat{N} \mathbf{x} \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{K} = \hat{N} - \hat{L} \tag{2.21}$$

The Fourier symbols are derived for each of the factorizations shown in Eqs. (2.5)–(2.7), (2.14) and (2.18). For example, for the Euler Equations based on the Beam–Warming scheme (from Eq. (2.18)), these two Fourier symbols are expressed as follows:

$$\hat{N}(\Theta^1) = \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left( A \sin(\theta_x) + 4\varepsilon_i \sin^2 \frac{\theta_x}{2} \right) \right] \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta y} \left( B \sin(\theta_y) + 4\varepsilon_i \sin^2 \frac{\theta_y}{2} \right) \right] \times \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} \left( C \sin(\theta_z) + 4\varepsilon_i \sin^2 \frac{\theta_z}{2} \right) \right] \quad (2.22)$$

$$\hat{L}(\Theta^1) = \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} I \left( A \sin(\theta_x) + B \sin(\theta_y) + C \sin(\theta_z) \right) + \frac{16\Delta t \varepsilon_i}{\Delta x} \left( \sin^4 \frac{\theta_x}{2} + \sin^4 \frac{\theta_y}{2} + \sin^4 \frac{\theta_z}{2} \right) \quad (2.23)$$

In the preceding equations,  $\Theta^1 = \{\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z\}$ . The Fourier symbols corresponding to the other approximate factorizations are documented in Demuren and Ibraheem (1992).

## 2.2 Solution Procedure

The convergence characteristics for solution algorithms based on each of the factorizations discussed are investigated by solving the generalized eigenvalue problem (2.21) over a fixed number of Fourier modes. Sixteen modes are selected, in the range  $-\pi/2 \leq \Theta^1 \leq \pi/2$ , and over these modes the maximum eigenvalue ( $\lambda_{\max}$ ), the average eigenvalue ( $\lambda_{\text{avg}}$ ) and the smoothing factor ( $\lambda_\mu$ ) are computed. The smoothing factor is computed to show the effectiveness of the selected scheme as a relaxation operator in a multigrid implementation. This is calculated from  $\lambda_\mu = \max(|\lambda|)$  for the high frequency modes in the range  $\pi/4 \leq |\Theta^1| < \pi/2$ . For the analyses, uniform flow is assumed with  $M_\infty = 0.8$ , zero yaw and angle of attack and  $\gamma = 1.4$ . Further, the grid spacing is assumed to be uniform in all directions. The time step and Reynolds number are calculated from:

$$\Delta t = \frac{CFL}{\left[ \frac{|u|}{\Delta x} + \frac{|v|}{\Delta y} + \frac{|w|}{\Delta z} + c \sqrt{\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{1}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{1}{\Delta z^2}} \right]} \quad (2.24)$$

$$Re = \frac{\rho |V| (\sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2 + \Delta z^2})}{\mu} \quad (2.25)$$

As a further test case, the quasi-one-dimensional Euler equations are solved with a similar formulation as the 3-D upwind spatial factorization, with uniform conditions of  $M_\infty = 0.5$ , zero yaw and angle of attack and  $\rho = 1.0$ , chosen to enable comparison with Jespersen and Pulliam's results (1983). In this case, the computed parameters are the maximum eigenvalue ( $\lambda_{\max}$ ), the L2-norm of the eigenvalue ( $l_2$ ) and the eigenvalue at  $\theta_x = \pi$ , ( $\lambda_\pi$ ).

### 2.3 Results and Discussion

Computed values of the maximum eigenvalue ( $\lambda_{\max}$ ), the average eigenvalue ( $\lambda_{avg}$ ) and the smoothing factor ( $\lambda_\mu$ ) for the spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations based on the Steger and Warming flux-vector splitting are shown in Figs. 2.1(a), 2.1(b) and 2.1(c), respectively. Both the eigenvalue and the combination factorizations are unconditionally stable for all CFL numbers. The spatial factorization is stable only for CFL numbers below five. The maximum eigenvalue for each of the spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations is minimized at CFL numbers of three, eight and seven, respectively. Corresponding results obtained for 2-D case (not shown) indicate that the spatial and eigenvalue factorizations are unconditionally stable and have lower  $\lambda_{\max}$  than the 3-D case, for all CFL numbers. The corresponding minimum value of are minimized at a CFL numbers of eight and ten, respectively. The 1-D case is also stable for all CFL numbers with the maximum eigenvalue minimized at a CFL number of 11, for both spatial and eigenvalue factorizations (Table 2.1).

Figures 2.1(d–f) show the convergence characteristics of each of the factorizations based on the van Leer flux–vector splitting. These agree very well with that of Anderson et al. (1988). Except for the spatial factorization, all the schemes are unconditionally stable for all CFL numbers. The spatial factorization is stable only for CFL number below 14. The maximum eigenvalues for the spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations are minimized at CFL numbers of seven, four and seven, respectively. From the  $\lambda_\mu$  curve, it appears that the spatial factorization with the Steger and Warming method has poorer smoothing properties compared with the van Leer spatial factorization. Based on linear analysis, there is also a smaller range of CFL numbers over which it is stable. The spatial factorization and the eigenvalue factorization of the 2–D case are found to be unconditionally stable with maximum eigenvalue minimized at CFL numbers of about nine and six, respectively. Results for the 1–D case are almost identical to those of the Steger and Warming analysis, with maximum eigenvalues minimized at CFL numbers of 11 and 19, respectively.

In the computations presented thus far, approximate Jacobians derived from a time linearization of the Euler equations have been employed in the Steger and Warming method on both the implicit and explicit sides. The effect of using the exact Jacobians in the stability analysis was investigated with the 1–D Euler equations using uniform conditions of  $M_\infty = 0.5$  and  $q = 1.0$ . The results are compared in Figs. 2.2(a) and 2.2(b), respectively. In both cases, first–order differencing was used on the implicit side (lhs) and second–order differencing on the explicit side (rhs), as in previous computations. From these figures, it can be observed that the results (as reflected by the variation of  $\lambda_{\max}$ ,  $l_2$ ,  $\lambda_\pi$  with CFL) are similar. This shows that the use of an approximate Jacobians does not place a restriction on the stability. This is at variance with the conclusion of Jespersen and Pulliam (1983). Restriction on the stability will result if the Jacobians are "mixed" such that approximate Jacobians are used on the implicit side and the exact Jacobians on the explicit side. In this case, Fig. 2.2(c) shows that the stability is restricted to CFL numbers below unity. On the other hand, if the Jacobians are mixed in the reverse order (i.e., with exact

Jacobians on the implicit side and approximate Jacobians on the explicit side), the results (see Fig. 2.2(d)) are not significantly affected. Further, from Figs. 2.3(a–d), where we have used second–order differencing on both sides, similar conclusions can be drawn.

All computations have been based on uniform flow conditions. To ascertain the suitability of using such uniform flow field assumptions in the stability analysis, computations were carried out on two non–uniform flow fields with the quasi–1–D Euler equations using local mode analysis. These correspond to supersonic and transonic flows in a diverging duct with steady–state solutions, shown in Figs. 2.4(a) and 2.4(b), respectively. The von–Neumann method is applied at each point in the flow field thereby accounting for the variation in flow properties. The stability results for the supersonic and transonic cases with first–order differencing on the implicit side and second–order differencing on the explicit side are shown in Figs. 2.4(c) and 2.4(d), respectively. These results follow a similar trend as those obtained for the 1–D Euler equations with uniform flow properties, except that instability is now predicted for lower CFL numbers. Boundary conditions were implemented explicitly and might have contributed to this instability. The use of local mode analysis here, is similar to the use of the total matrix method approach of Jespersen and Pulliam (1983), except that the former is easier to compute because it involves the solution of only a 3 X 3 eigenvalue problem.

Figures 2.5(a–c) show the convergence characteristics of the 3–D Euler equations using the LU approximate factorization with central difference approximations and various levels of second– and fourth–order artificial viscosities,  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$ . Without the addition of second–order dissipation (i.e.,  $\kappa_2 = 0$ ), the coefficient  $\kappa_4 = 0.4$  yields the optimal results (see Fig. 2.5(a)). Appropriate combinations of  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$  (especially when  $\kappa_4 \geq \kappa_2$ ) considerably reduce the amplification factor (see Fig. 2.5(b) as compared with Fig. 2.5(c)). The amplification factor is minimized in each case at a CFL of about five. Similar trends were observed in 1–D and 2–D cases.

In Figs. 2.6(a–f), the convergence characteristics for the full 3–D Navier–Stokes equations using the Beam and Warming (ADI) central difference scheme as the baseline solution algorithm are shown for different Reynolds numbers and levels of artificial dissipation. For the Reynolds number of 100 (Fig. 2.6(a)) and with no dissipation added, the scheme is stable for CFL number below 18. However, with artificial dissipation coefficients of  $\varepsilon_e = 0.5$  and  $\varepsilon_i = 1.0$  (Fig. 2.6(b)), the stability is restricted to a lower CFL number of 10, but with better smoothing properties. Optimal dissipation coefficients of  $\varepsilon_i = 1.0$  and  $\varepsilon_i = 2.0$  (Fig. 2.6(c)), are found to improve the stability to a CFL of about 18 while maintaining good smoothing properties. The maximum eigenvalue is minimized at a CFL number of about four for this optimal dissipation. Both 1–D and 2–D cases are unconditionally stable for all levels of dissipation. For  $\varepsilon_i = 1.0$  and  $\varepsilon_i = 2.0$ , their maximum eigenvalues are both minimized at about CFL numbers of 24 and 11, respectively. The results are mostly similar at the higher Reynolds number, except for the case without artificial dissipation. Hence, the stability results are not significantly affected by Reynolds number. The stability results for the 3–D Euler equations with the Beam and Warming (ADI) central difference scheme are similar to those obtained for the full Navier–Stokes equations at the Reynolds number of  $10^6$ . Generally, the addition of dissipation reduces the amplification factor and the smoothing factor at lower CFL numbers. Optimal smoothing is usually at a CFL number close to unity.

The above results are summarized in Table 2.1. In the Table,  $\lambda_m$  stands for the minimum amplification factor,  $CFL_m$  for the corresponding CFL number,  $CFL_l$  the maximum CFL number for stability and  $CFL_\mu$  is the CFL number at which  $\lambda_\mu$  is minimized.



Table 2.1: Stability Analysis results for various Factorizations

Factorization or Dissipation Coefficients	1-D					2-D					3-D				
	$\lambda_m$	$CFL_m$	$CFL_1$	$CFL_\mu$	$CFL_\mu$	$\lambda_m$	$CFL_m$	$CFL_1$	$CFL_\mu$	$CFL_\mu$	$\lambda_m$	$CFL_m$	$CFL_1$	$CFL_\mu$	$CFL_\mu$
Spatial	Steger/Warming	.91	11	-	3	.90	8	-	7	.97	3	5	3	3	3
	van Leer	.91	11	-	3	.88	9	-	4	.92	7	14	3	3	3
Eigenvalue	Steger/Warming	.91	11	-	3	.88	10	-	7	.91	7	-	6	-	6
	van Leer	.83	19	-	7	.93	6	-	3	.96	4	-	*3	-	*3
Combination	Steger/Warming	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.90	8	-	7	-	7
	van Leer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	.91	7	-	4	-	4
LU	$\kappa_2=0, \kappa_4=4$	.98	5	-	1	.97	4	-	1	.97	3	-	1	-	1
	$\kappa_2=2, \kappa_4=3$	.93	4	-	2	.92	3	-	2	.91	3	-	2	-	2
	$\kappa_2=3, \kappa_4=2$	.96	4	-	1	.95	3	-	1	.95	3	-	1	-	1
ADI	$\epsilon_2=0, \epsilon_4=0$	-	-	-	-	.93	9	-	6	.95	7	18	5	-	5
Navier-Stokes	$\epsilon_2=1, \epsilon_4=.5$	.94	24	-	1	.90	13	-	1	.96	6	10	1	-	1
Re=10 <sup>2</sup>	$\epsilon_2=2, \epsilon_4=1$	.96	24	-	1	.93	11	-	1	.98	4	18	1	-	1
ADI*	$\epsilon_2=0, \epsilon_4=0$	-	-	-	-	.93	8	-	8	.97	8	16	1	-	1
Navier-Stokes	$\epsilon_2=1, \epsilon_4=.5$	.94	23	-	1	.91	13	-	1	.96	6	10	1	-	1
Re=10 <sup>6</sup>	$\epsilon_2=2, \epsilon_4=1$	.96	24	-	1	.93	12	-	1	.97	4	18	1	-	1

\* Results for the ADI Euler Equations are identical.

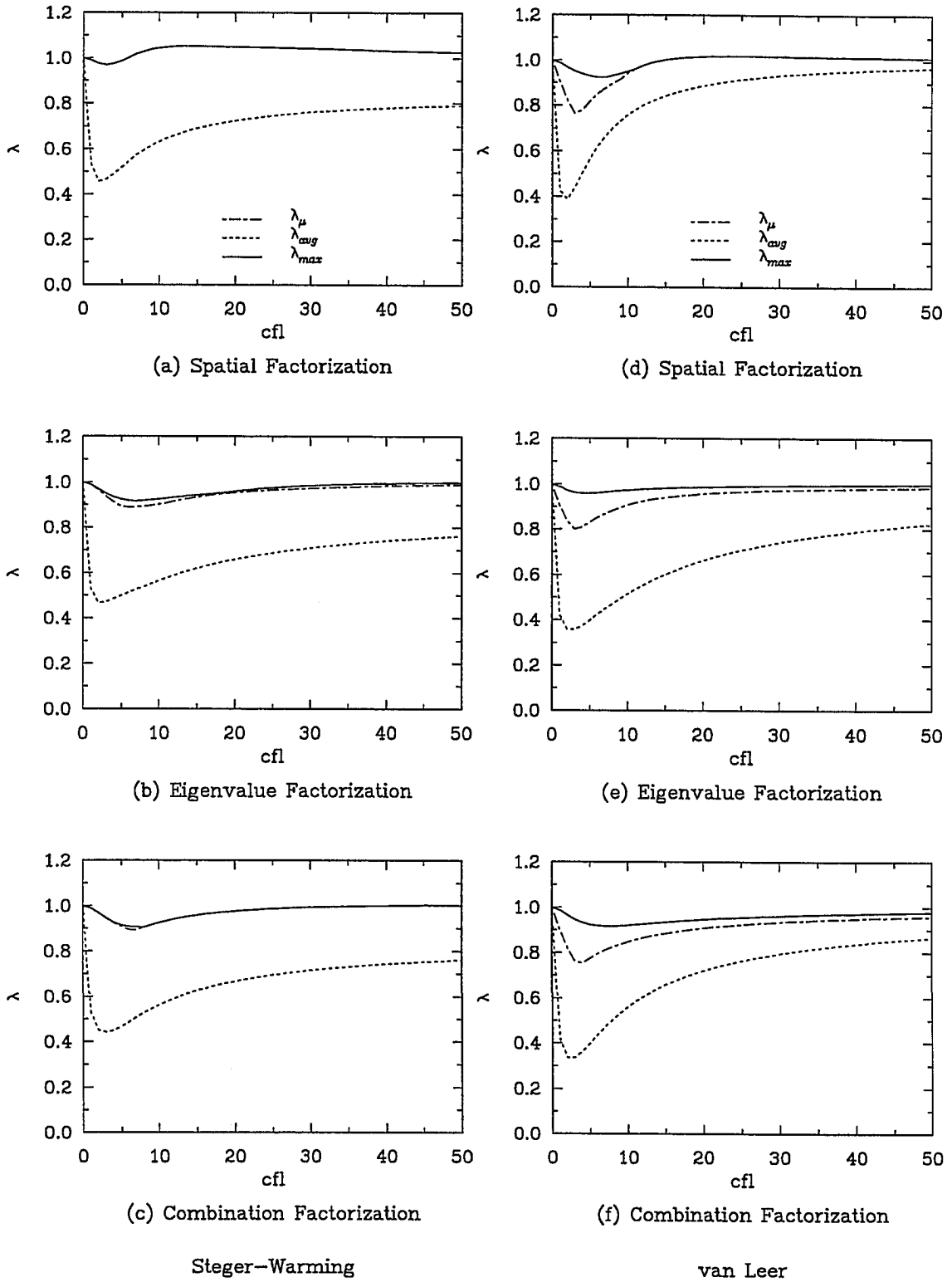
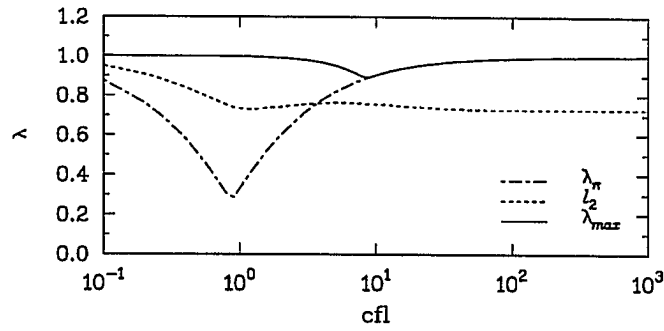
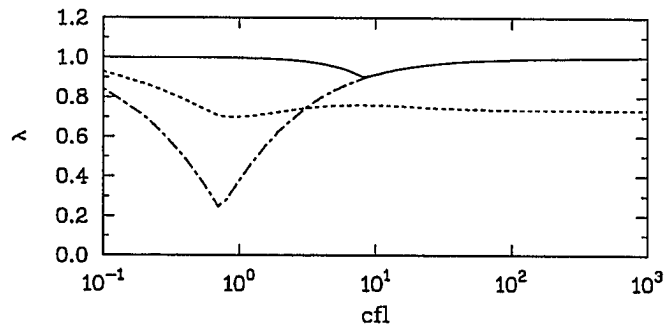


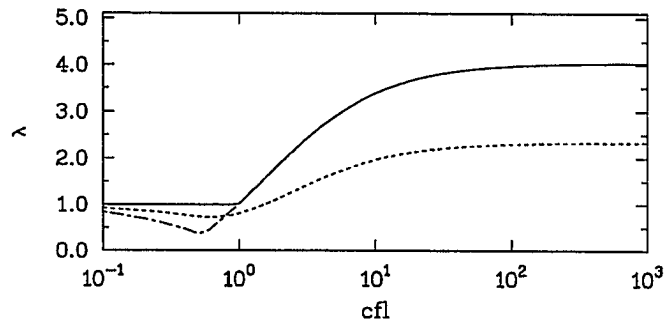
Fig. 2.1: 3-D Euler Equations using upwind schemes  
(a)–(f) Convergence Characteristics



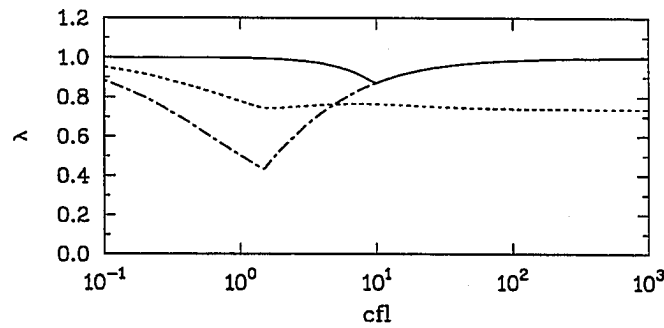
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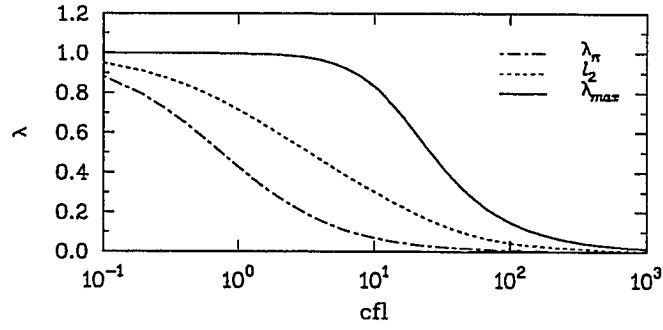


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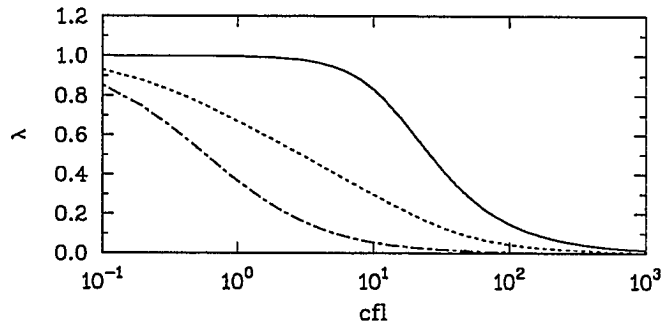


(d) Exact Jacobians lhs; Approx. Jacobians rhs

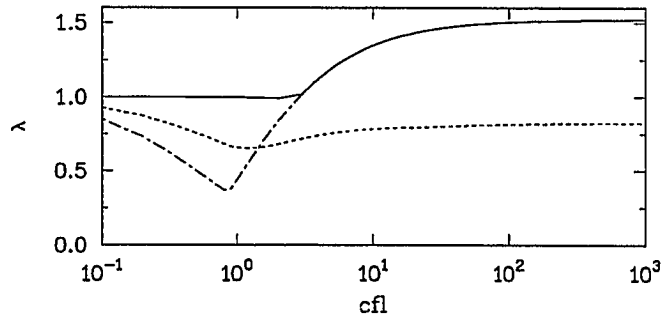
Fig. 2.2: 1-D Euler Equations using Steger-Warming schemes first-order lhs, second-order rhs. (a)-(d) Convergence Characteristics.



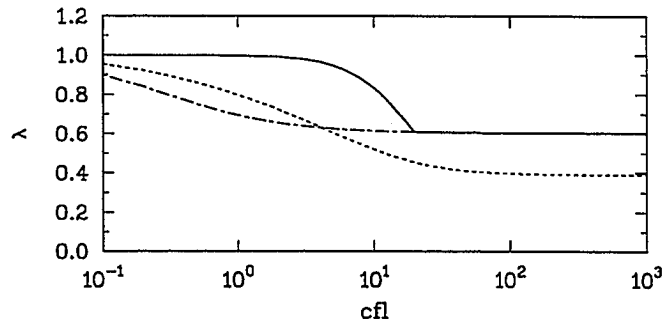
(a) Approx. Jacobians (lhs, rhs)



(b) Exact Jacobians (lhs, rhs)

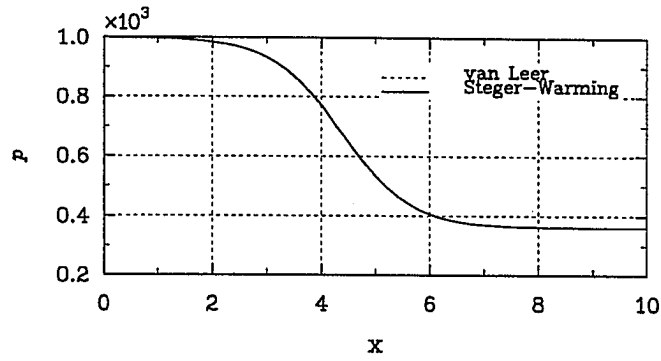


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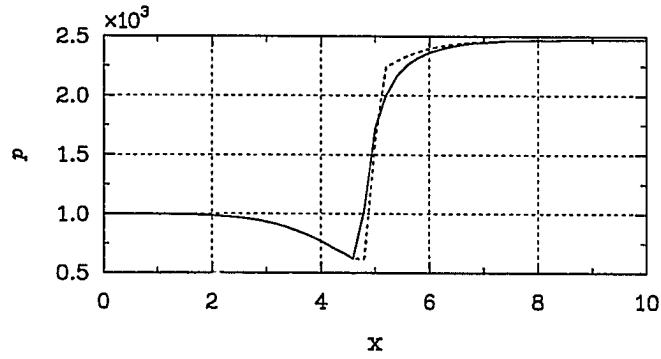


(d) Exact Jacobians lhs; Approx. Jacobians rhs

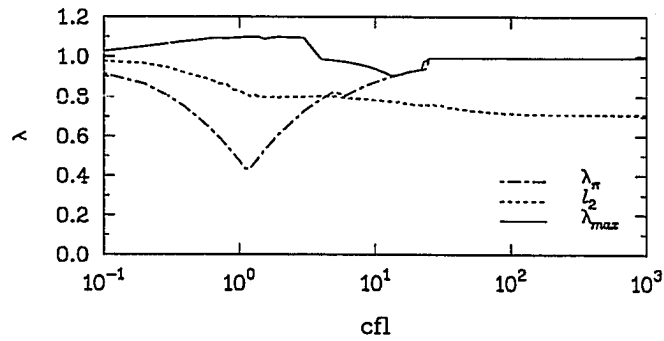
Fig. 2.3: 1-D Euler Equations using Steger-Warming schemes, second-order both sides. (a)-(d) Convergence Characteristics.



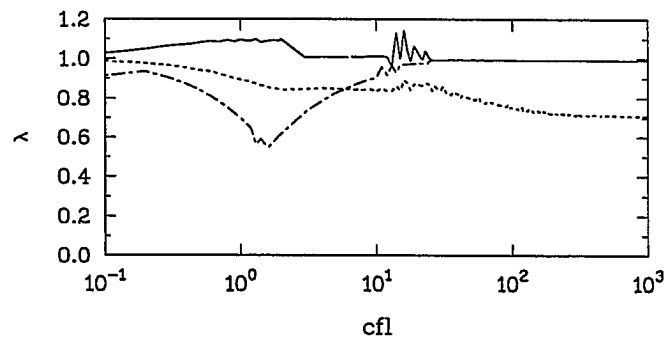
(a) Pressure distribution; Supersonic Case



(b) Pressure distribution; Transonic Case

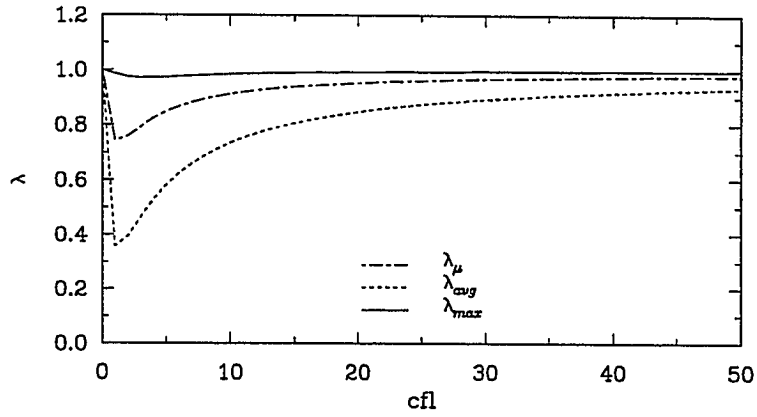


(c) Eigenvalues; Supersonic Case

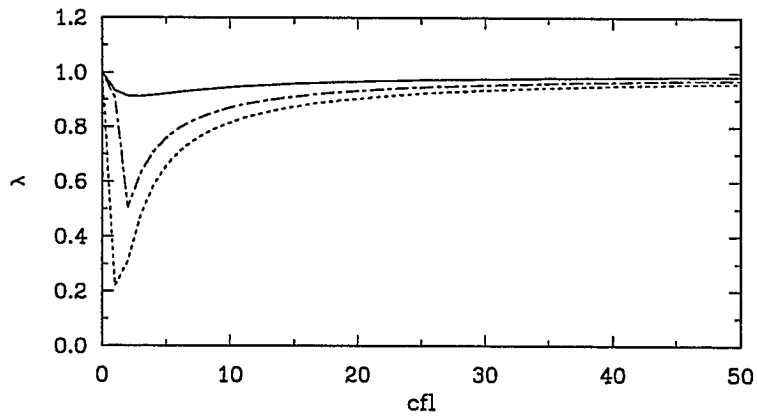


(d) Eigenvalues; Transonic Case

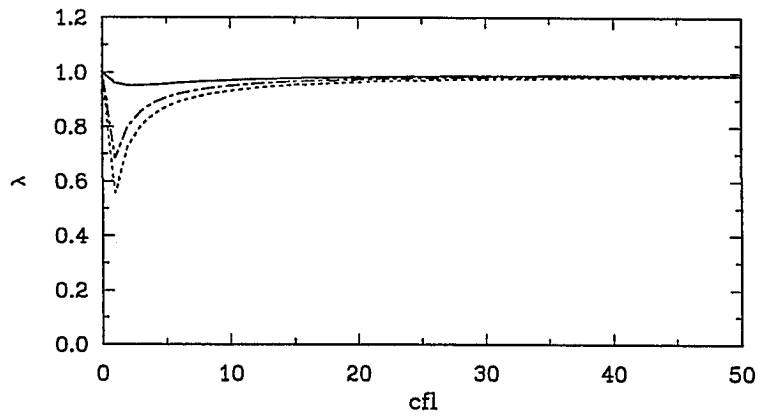
Fig. 2.4: Local mode analysis of Quasi-1-D Euler Equations  $M_{\text{inlet}}=1.5$   
(a)–(b) Pressure solutions (c)–(d) Convergence Characteristics.



(a)  $\kappa_2=0, \kappa_4=0.4$



(b)  $\kappa_2=2, \kappa_4=3$



(c)  $\kappa_2=3, \kappa_4=2$

Fig. 2.5: 3-D Euler Equations using LU central schemes  
(a)–(c) Convergence Characteristics

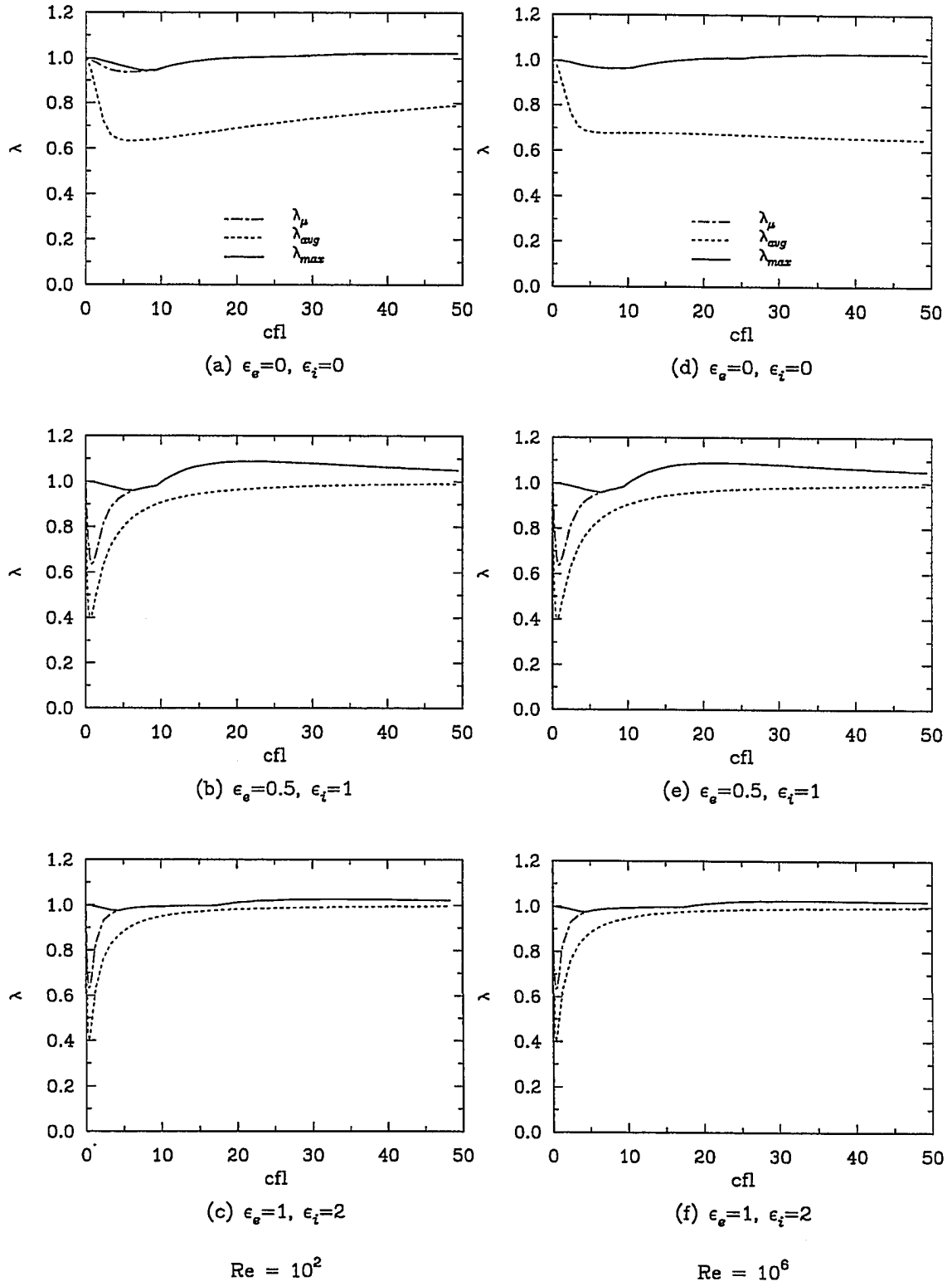


Fig. 2.6: 3-D Navier-Stokes Equations using ADI central schemes  
(a)–(f) Convergence Characteristics

## 2.4 Concluding Remarks

The stability of some approximate factorization schemes for the solution of the 3-D Euler equations and Navier–Stokes equations have been studied. For the Euler equations, the Steger and Warming, and van Leer flux–vector splittings were used with three different upwind factorizations namely: spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations. For both flux–vector splittings, the eigenvalue and combination factorizations are unconditionally stable, but the spatial factorization is only conditionally stable for CFL numbers below five for the Steger and Warming scheme, and 14 for the van Leer scheme. Moreover, the amplification factor ( $\lambda_{\max}$ ) is minimized for the Steger and Warming scheme at CFL numbers of three, seven, and eight respectively, and for the van Leer scheme at seven, four, and seven, for spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations, respectively. Each of the approximate factorization methods has good smoothing properties for the van Leer flux–vector splitting, while for the Steger and Warming splitting, the smoothing factors are comparatively worse. Therefore, the van Leer splitting will be preferable for multigrid implementation. The Euler equations have also been analyzed for stability using the LU approximate factorization with central differences and various levels of artificial dissipation. It was found to be unconditionally stable in all dimensions with the maximum eigenvalue minimized at a CFL number of about three. Contrary to the conclusion drawn by Jespersen and Pulliam (1983) that the use of approximate Jacobians places restriction on the stability, it is shown, after careful investigation, that if they are used on both the implicit and the explicit sides, the stability results are comparable to the case where the exact Jacobians are used. The von–Neumann analysis method was also employed in performing local mode analysis for actual (supersonic and transonic) flow fields of a quasi 1-D problem to show the suitability of using uniform flow field in the stability analysis. Stability results for the 3-D Euler and Navier–Stokes equations solved with the Beam and Warming (ADI) central scheme with various levels of artificial dissipation (and at different Reynolds number for the latter) have



been presented. It was observed that the stability is not significantly affected by Reynolds numbers and that addition of dissipation reduces the amplification factor and the smoothing factor at lower CFL numbers.

## **Chapter 3**

### **BI-GRID STABILITY ANALYSIS**

The objective of this chapter is to present a procedure for utilizing the bi-grid amplification factor as a more effective tool for predicting practical multigrid performance in a range of numerical methods. Bi-grid analysis, based on the von-Neumann type method, is first presented for the 1-D convection and diffusion model problems, and the linearized Burger's equation. Numerical results from practical multigrid solution of these problems are compared to both predictions from bi-grid analysis and smoothing factors derived from the more usual single grid analysis. Both analyses and practical computations are based on the following different time-stepping methods: the Euler forward explicit scheme, the Runge-Kutta multistage scheme, a fully implicit scheme, and the semi-implicit scheme. The influence of the Peclet number on the convergence characteristics of the different schemes is investigated using the Burger's equation. Finally, for more practical situations, multigrid performance of various approximate factorizations for the 3-D Euler and Navier-Stokes equations are examined using the bi-grid stability analysis. For the Euler equations, bi-grid analysis is presented for three upwind difference-based factorizations and several central difference-based factorizations. In the upwind factorizations, both the flux-vector splitting methods of Steger-Warming and van Leer are considered. The central-differenced schemes include the Lower and Upper (LU) and ADI factorizations. The time-stepping algorithm for the Navier-Stokes equations is based on the Beam-Warming central difference scheme only. Finally, effects of grid aspect ratio and flow skewness are examined.

### 3.1 Bi-grid Analysis

Consider a given differential problem which can be written as

$$L\{u(x)\} = f(x) , \quad \text{for } x \text{ in } \Omega \quad (3.1)$$

where  $L$  is a linear operator. A typical 2-level multigrid cycle solution to this problem will involve the following steps:

- (1) pre-relaxation on a fine grid using any technique  $S_1$ ,  $\nu^1$  times
- (2) computation of the defect  $R$
- (3) restriction of the defect to the coarser grid
- (4) exact solution of the error equation on the coarse grid
- (5) prolongation of the error onto and the correction on the fine grid
- (6) post-relaxation on the fine grid using any technique  $S_2$ ,  $\nu^2$  times

These can be represented for any intermediate solution  $w$ , by using the usual operators as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & w^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = S_1^{\nu^1} w^n \\
 (2) \quad & R = f - L_h w^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \\
 (3) \quad & I_h^H R \\
 (4) \quad & v_H = L_H^{-1} (I_h^H R) \\
 (5) \quad & I_H^h v_H + w^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \\
 (6) \quad & w^{n+1} = S_2^{\nu^2} (I_H^h v_H + w^{n+\frac{1}{2}})
 \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Combining these steps, we can write

$$w^{n+1} = S_2^{\nu^2} [I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H (f - L_h S_1^{\nu^1} w^n) + S_1^{\nu^1} w^n] \quad (3.3)$$

The steady-state solution ( $u$ ) is not changed by the coarse grid correction scheme; thus

$$u^{n+1} = S_2^{\nu^2} [I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H (f - L_h S_1^{\nu^1} u^n) + S_1^{\nu^1} u^n] \quad (3.4)$$

Subtracting (2) from (1) and noting that  $e^{n+1} = u^{n+1} - w^{n+1}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{n+1} &= S_2^{\nu_2} (I - I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H L_h) S_1^{\nu_1} e^n \\
&= S_2^{\nu_2} K S_1^{\nu_1} e^n \\
&= M e^n
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
K &= I - I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H L_h \\
M &= S_2^{\nu_2} (I - I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H L_h) S_1^{\nu_1}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

$M$  is the bi-grid amplification matrix and  $K$  is the coarse grid correction matrix. It can be shown (Stuben and Trottenberg, 1982) that when linear operators are used for the restriction,  $I_h^H$ , and the prolongation,  $I_H^h$ , transfer processes, the coarse grid correction matrix is not a convergent iteration matrix. i.e.,

$$\rho(K) = \rho(I - I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H L_h) \geq 1 \tag{3.7}$$

Hence, the fine grid smoothing steps  $S_1$ , and  $S_2$  are important for a convergent scheme. The spectral radius of the bi-grid amplification matrix ( $\lambda_{max\_bg}$ ) and its  $l_2$  norm can be used to predict the performance of a multigrid method. While the spectral radius measures the asymptotic convergence rate of the multigrid method, the  $l_2$  norm measures the actual error reduction per iteration.  $\lambda_{max\_bg}$  is defined as follows:

$$\lambda_{max\_bg} = \max\{\rho[\hat{M}(\Theta)]\} \tag{3.8}$$

$\hat{M}(\Theta)$  is the Fourier representation of the matrix  $M$ . A brief comment about  $\Theta$  will be in order. Due to the aliasing process, low-frequency modes will couple with the coarse grid Fourier modes and, thus, for any  $\Theta^1 = \{\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z\}$  such that  $-\pi/2 \leq \theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z \leq \pi/2$ , there exists a corresponding set of harmonics up to an integer multiple of  $2\pi$ . For 1-D, 2-D and 3-D problems, we define  $\Theta$  as the following set :

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{1-D} \quad \Theta &= \{(\theta_x), (\theta_x \pm \pi)\} \\
\text{2-D} \quad \Theta &= \{(\theta_x, \theta_y), (\theta_x, \theta_y \pm \pi), (\theta_x \pm \pi, \theta_y), (\theta_x \pm \pi, \theta_y \pm \pi)\} \\
\text{3-D} \quad \Theta &= \{(\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z), (\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z \pm \pi), (\theta_x, \theta_y \pm \pi, \theta_z), (\theta_x, \theta_y \pm \pi, \theta_z \pm \pi), \\
&\quad (\theta_x \pm \pi, \theta_y, \theta_z), (\theta_x \pm \pi, \theta_y, \theta_z \pm \pi), (\theta_x \pm \pi, \theta_y \pm \pi, \theta_z), \\
&\quad (\theta_x \pm \pi, \theta_y \pm \pi, \theta_z \pm \pi)\}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

Or more generally,

$$\text{d-D} \quad \Theta = \{\Theta^1, \Theta^2, \Theta^3, \dots, \Theta^{2^d}\} \tag{3.10}$$

(where  $d$  is the dimensionality of the space, and  $\Theta^1, \Theta^2, \dots, \Theta^{2^d}$  are permuted in a similar manner with the  $\pm$  signs chosen such that the harmonics lie in the high-frequency range). Hence, based on the  $\Theta$  components and on the number of degrees of freedom of the problem,  $q$ ,  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  is a  $2^d q \times 2^d q$  matrix. Thus, it is a 2x2 matrix for a 1-D scalar problem and 40x40 matrix for the Euler or Navier-Stokes equations in 3-D. The Fourier representation for the corresponding operators viz.: smoothing factor, fine grid problem, interpolation, restriction and the coarse grid problem can be constructed as follows (Brandt, 1991):

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{S} &= (\hat{S}_2^{v^2}, \hat{S}_1^{v^1}) = \text{diag}[\hat{S}(\Theta^1), \hat{S}(\Theta^2), \dots, \hat{S}(\Theta^{2^d})] & 2^d q \times 2^d q \\
\hat{L}_h &= \text{diag}[\hat{L}(\Theta^1), \hat{L}(\Theta^2), \dots, \hat{L}(\Theta^{2^d})] & 2^d q \times 2^d q \\
\hat{I}_H^h &= [\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^1), \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^2), \dots, \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^{2^d})] & 2^d q \times q \\
\hat{I}_h^H &= [\hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^1), \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^2), \dots, \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^{2^d})] & q \times 2^d q \\
\hat{L}_H &= \hat{L}(2\Theta^1) & q \times q
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

The difference operator,  $\hat{L}_H(2\Theta^1)$ , on the coarse grid is only  $q \times q$  since the coarse grid problem is solved exactly.

$\hat{S}$  and  $\hat{L}$  depend on the choice of the smoother and the governing equations, respectively. The transfer processes, however, are less problem-dependent. Following Brandt (1991), the Fourier symbol of the prolongation operator based on an  $I^{\text{th}}$ -order polynomial is given by

$$\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^m)_{kl} = \delta_{kl} \prod_{i=1}^d \psi_i(\cos \Theta_i^m) \quad m = 1, 2^d \quad (3.12)$$

where  $\psi_2(\xi) = (1 + \xi)/2$ ,  $\psi_4(\xi) = (2 + 3\xi - \xi^2)/4$ , etc. are the 2nd and 4th order interpolation functions, and  $\delta_{kl}$  is the Kronecker delta. We restricted our analysis to the 2nd order case, since it is more commonly used. The restriction operator is expressed as

$$2^d \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^m) = [\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^m)]^{T*} \quad (3.13)$$

$T^*$  in the above equation represents the conjugate transpose. The restriction operator is often the adjoint of the prolongation operator in practice. In this study, the corresponding full weighting is used for the restriction operation for the Euler and Navier–Stokes equations, while simple injection is employed for the model problems. In the latter case, the Fourier symbol for the restriction operator is simply unity. A description of how the Fourier representation  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  can be constructed is given later for certain problems.

### 3.2 Model Equations

The model equations used in the present study are the conservation equations for the convection of a scalar, the diffusion of a scalar, and the linearized Burger's equation which is essentially a convection–diffusion equation. Each of these equations is integrated in time using (i) the Euler forward–explicit scheme, (ii) a Runge–Kutta multistage scheme, (iii) a fully implicit scheme and (iv) a semi–implicit scheme.

The model equations for convection, diffusion, and the linear Burger's equation can be expressed as:

convection:	$u_t + cu_x = 0$	(3.14)
diffusion:	$u_t - \nu u_{xx} = 0$	
(convection–diffusion) Burger's:	$u_t^* + u_0 u_x^* = \nu u_{xx}^*$	

In the Burger's equation,  $u_o = \text{constant}$  is assumed in our analysis. Thus, it can be put in the following non-dimensional form:

$$u_t + u_x = \frac{1}{Pe} u_{xx} \quad (3.15)$$

where  $Pe$  in the above equation is the Peclet number defined as follows:

$$Pe = \frac{u_o D}{\nu} \quad (3.16)$$

( $D$  is an appropriate length scale)

(i) *Euler forward-explicit scheme*

The Euler explicit method can be applied to the above equations to yield the following general discrete form:

$$u_i^{n+1} = u_i^n - \Delta t R^n \quad (3.17)$$

where  $R^n$  represents the residual expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{convection:} \quad R^n &= \frac{c}{\Delta x} (u_i^n - u_{i-1}^n) \\ \text{diffusion:} \quad R^n &= -\frac{\nu}{\Delta x^2} (u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n) \\ \text{Burger's:} \quad R^n &= \frac{1}{\Delta x} (u_i^n - u_{i-1}^n) - \frac{1}{\Delta x^2 Pe} (u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n) \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

Spatial discretization in the above formulations is based on first-order upwind differences for convection, second-order central differences for diffusion, and the corresponding combination in the Burger's equation. First-order upwind differencing of the convective flux introduces inaccuracy due to too much numerical diffusion which may be of the same order of the natural diffusion in the Burger's equation. If second-order central differencing is used for the convective flux, a second-order accurate scheme can be obtained, but with severe limitations on the Peclet number due to dispersion errors. Although the addition of artificial viscosity could dampen the high-frequency oscillations at high Peclet numbers, it is highly problem dependent. A better approach to achieve a second-order accuracy while

sustaining a smooth solution at the vicinity of a shock or high gradients is to discretize the convective flux using higher-order upwind schemes, preferably in conjunction with some type of flux limiter. Hence, with a third-order discretization of the convective flux, a second-order accurate scheme for the Burger's equation can be obtained with  $R^n$  given by

$$R^n = \frac{1}{2\Delta x}(u_{i+1}^n - u_{i-1}^n) - \frac{1}{6\Delta x}(u_{i+1}^n - 3u_i^n + 3u_{i-1}^n - u_{i-2}^n) - \frac{1}{\Delta x^2 Pe}(u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n) \quad (3.19)$$

(ii) *Runge-Kutta Multistage scheme*

With each of the above schemes integrated in time using the Euler forward explicit method, the time step was limited to a small range by stability considerations, thus making it inefficient for steady-state computations. A Runge-Kutta (RK) method was introduced by Jameson *et. al.* (1981) to permit larger time steps to be taken. For an  $m$ -stage scheme, the time integration can be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} u_i^0 &= u_i^n \\ u_i^k &= u_i^0 - \alpha_k \Delta t R^{k-1} \quad k = 1, m \\ u_i^{n+1} &= u_i^m \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

Note that with  $m = 1$ , the RK scheme reduces to the Euler forward explicit scheme and hence is sometime called RK1. Coefficients  $\alpha_k$  are optimized such that larger time steps can be used for faster convergence.

Three different sets of coefficients for a 4-stage Runge-Kutta scheme are investigated in this study, in line with the earlier work of Morano (1992). These are the standard coefficients (RK4-S,  $\alpha_1 = .25, \alpha_2 = .3333, \alpha_3 = .5, \alpha_4 = 1$ ), and the optimized coefficients of Lallemand (RK4-L,  $\alpha_1 = .11, \alpha_2 = .2766, \alpha_3 = .5, \alpha_4 = 1$ ) and van Leer (RK4-VL,  $\alpha_1 = .0833, \alpha_2 = .2069, \alpha_3 = .4265, \alpha_4 = 1$ ).



(iii) *Implicit scheme*

An implicit time integration scheme in delta form can easily be formulated for each of our model problems. For example, the corresponding implicit formulation for the Burger's equation with first-order accuracy is written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ -\beta \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} + \frac{\Delta t}{Pe \Delta x^2} \right) \right] \Delta u_{i-1}^n + \left[ 1 + \beta \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} + \frac{2\Delta t}{Pe \Delta x^2} \right) \right] \Delta u_i^n \\ - \beta \left( \frac{\Delta t}{Pe \Delta x^2} \right) \Delta u_{i+1}^n = -\Delta t R^n \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

$$R^n = \frac{1}{\Delta x} (u_i^n - u_{i-1}^n) - \frac{1}{\Delta x^2 Pe} (u_{i+1}^n - 2u_i^n + u_{i-1}^n)$$

$$\Delta u_i^n = u_i^{n+1} - u_i^n$$

The quantity  $\beta$  in the preceding formulation is called the implicitness factor.  $\beta = 1.0$  gives a fully implicit scheme.

(iv) *Semi-implicit scheme*

If  $\beta = 0.5$  in equation (21) above we have a semi-implicit scheme. This reduces to the Crank-Nicolson scheme if the overall spatial differencing is second-order accurate.

### 3.2.1 Fourier Symbols

For illustration, the bi-grid amplification matrix  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  is constructed for the convection problem using the Euler-forward explicit scheme for the relaxation.

Consider the discrete form of the operator  $L$  and let the step-by-step solution be characterized by Fourier modes (with periodic boundary conditions) as

$$u^n = U_o \lambda^n e^{\theta_x i} \quad (3.22)$$

Then each of the operators that forms the matrix  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{S}(\Theta^m) &= \left(1 - \frac{c\Delta t}{\Delta x}\right) + \frac{c\Delta t}{\Delta x} [\cos(\Theta^m) - I \sin(\Theta^m)] \\
\hat{L}_h(\Theta^m) &= -\frac{1}{\Delta x} [1 - \cos(\Theta^m) + I \sin(\Theta^m)] \\
\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^m) &= \frac{1}{2} [1 + \cos(\Theta^m)] \quad m = 1, 2 \\
\hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^m) &= 1 \quad \text{for injection} \\
\hat{L}_H &= -\frac{1}{2\Delta x} [1 - \cos(2\Theta^1) + I \sin(2\Theta^1)]
\end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

where  $\Theta^1 = \theta_x$  and  $\Theta^2 = \theta_x + \pi$

Thus, from Eq. (3.8),  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{M}(\Theta) &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{S}(\Theta^1) & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{S}(\Theta^2) \end{bmatrix}^{v_1} \begin{bmatrix} K_{11} & K_{12} \\ K_{21} & K_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{S}(\Theta^1) & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{S}(\Theta^2) \end{bmatrix}^{v_2} \\
K_{11} &= 1 - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^1) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^1) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^1) / \hat{L}_H \\
K_{12} &= -\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^1) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^2) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^2) / \hat{L}_H \\
K_{21} &= -\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^2) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^1) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^1) / \hat{L}_H \\
K_{22} &= 1 - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^2) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^2) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^2) / \hat{L}_H
\end{aligned} \tag{3.24}$$

Note that  $\hat{L}_H$  is evaluated only at the fundamental frequency  $\{2\theta_x, 2\theta_y, 2\theta_z\}$ , hence it is 1x1.

The result obtained above is similar to that derived by Morano (1992), although our presentation is more general and is more easily extended to multi-dimensions.

### 3.2.2 Multigrid Implementation

A simple two-level multigrid (V cycle) method was implemented to test the relative accuracy of the bi-grid amplification factor and the smoothing factor in predicting multigrid performance. The two-level algorithm consists of the steps given in Sec. 2 and is recursively expressible as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{Proc Multigrid } (u^n, u^{n+1}, R^n, k) \\
& \quad \{ \text{if } (k = 1) \\
& \quad \quad \text{either } u^{n+1} = L_H^{-1} R^n \\
& \quad \quad \text{or } u^{n+1} = S^\infty u^n \\
& \quad \text{else} \\
& \quad \quad u^{n+1} \leftarrow S^1 u^n \\
& \quad \quad R^n \leftarrow I_h^H (R^n - L u^n) \\
& \quad \quad \text{Multigrid } (0, u_H, R^n, k - 1) \\
& \quad \quad u^{n+1} \leftarrow u^{n+1} + I_H^h u_H \\
& \quad \text{endif} \}
\end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

In the Eq. (3.25),  $L$  and  $S$  stand for the discrete operator and relaxation scheme corresponding to each of the model equations and numerical schemes discussed in previous sections. For this two-level V cycle multigrid implementation, the exact solution of the residual equation is employed. Only one pre-relaxation with no post-relaxation is performed on the fine grid.

### 3.2.3 Local Relaxation

Bi-grid analysis is exact for problems with periodic boundary conditions since it is based on the Fourier method. However, the asymptotic convergence rate for certain multigrid solutions deteriorates from the bi-grid prediction due to singularities such as a discontinuity in the material and/or solutions, and also due to the type and coefficients of the boundary conditions. Poor multigrid performance results since such singularities lead to too large a correction from the coarse grids in the localized region. To improve the performance of a multigrid solution, further relaxation can be performed on the fine grid in the region of the singularities after applying the coarse grid correction. This local relaxation is, in fact, an extra post-relaxation, but is confined to only certain nodal points and is carried out only a few number of times. The extra computational work is negligible if only a few partial sweeps is involved. The convection dominated problems subject to Dirichlet boundary conditions that are considered here undergo high changes in the gradients in order to satisfy the exit boundary conditions. Therefore, multigrid performance in these problems deviates from the results predicted by the bi-grid analysis. However, a few passes on the fine grid over the

boundary conditions and over the interior equation in some small neighborhood of the boundary (about three nodal points at the exit) is found sufficient to improve multigrid performance to the exact value predicted by bi-grid analysis.

### 3.2.4 Numerical Experiments

The bi-grid amplification factor ( $\lambda_{max\_bg}$ ), the smoothing factor ( $\lambda_{\mu\_sg}$ ) and the practical asymptotic convergence rate ( $Q_{mg}$ ) of the multigrid scheme were obtained for the following test problems:

- (1) The convection problem with periodic boundary conditions, viz.:

$$u(0, t) = u(1, t) \quad ; \quad u(x, 0) = \sin 2\pi x \quad (3.26)$$

- (2) The convection problem with Dirichlet boundary conditions, viz.:

$$u(0, t) = 1 \quad , \quad u(1, t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t > 0 \quad ; \quad u(x, 0) = \sin 2\pi x \quad (3.27)$$

- (3) The diffusion problem with similar Dirichlet boundary conditions as in (2) above

- (4) The Burger's equation with similar Dirichlet boundary conditions as in (2) above.

The bi-grid amplification factor is obtained from Eq. (3.8) and the smoothing factor is obtained from the usual single grid amplification factor over the high frequency range  $\pi/2 \leq \Theta^1 \leq \pi$  as  $\lambda_{\mu\_sg} = \max\{\rho[\hat{S}(\Theta^1)]\}$ . In each case, sixteen Fourier modes are selected, and the associated eigenvalues are solved for using linear algebra routines such as found in the IMSL library. The asymptotic convergence rate of the multigrid experiments, on the other hand, is computed from

$$Q_{mg} = \left( \frac{\|R^{n2}\|}{\|R^{n1}\|} \right)^{\frac{1}{n2-n1}} \quad (3.28)$$

where  $\|R^{n1}\|$  and  $\|R^{n2}\|$  are the  $l_2$  norm of the residuals at time levels  $n1$  and  $n2$ , respectively.

The pseudotime  $\Delta t$  to advance the convection and the diffusion problems to steady state is computed from  $CFL = \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x}$  and  $d = \frac{\Delta t}{Pe \Delta x^2}$ , respectively. The  $CFL$  number is the Courant–Friedrichs–Lewy number, and  $d$  is the diffusion number. For the Burger's equation,  $\Delta t$  is computed from:

$$\Delta t = \min(\sigma \Delta x, \sigma \Delta x^2 Pe) \quad (3.29)$$

where  $\sigma$  is an appropriate parameter chosen to reduce to the diffusion number  $d$  at low  $Pe$  numbers and to reduced to the  $CFL$  number at high  $Pe$  numbers. This choice ensures that the appropriate time step is used in each flow regime.  $\Delta x$  is computed from  $D/20$ . Preliminary tests showed that the same results are obtained with 40 or 80 points.

The exact steady–state solution for the Burger's equation, subject to the boundary condition type discussed above, is given by

$$u = u(0, t) \left[ \frac{1 - \exp[Pe (\frac{x}{D} - 1)]}{1 - \exp(-Pe)} \right] \quad (3.30)$$

It is valid for all range of  $Pe$  considered in this study.

### 3.2.5 Results for the Model Equations

Figures 3.1 and 3.2 show results of the analyses of the 1–D convection equation using the Euler forward explicit scheme. The model problem of Fig. 3.1 has periodic boundary conditions, whereas that of Fig. 3.2 has Dirichlet boundary conditions. The bi–grid analysis gives perfect prediction of practical multigrid performance in the former, whereas the smoothing factors from the single grid analysis are much too high. Both methods of analysis ignore boundary effects, so the same predictions are obtained in Figs. 3.1 and 3.2, and the analyses predictions are strictly correct only for problems with periodic boundary conditions. This is confirmed in Fig. 3.2(b) where the asymptotic multigrid convergence rate is now much worse than predicted by the bi–grid analysis. The reason for the degradation of the multigrid performance is the singularity which appears near the exit in Fig. 3.2(a). This

degradation in performance could be cured with a few local relaxation sweeps (Brandt and Yavneh, 1993), as shown in Fig. 3.2(c). Each sweep had marginal computational cost and five sweeps were sufficient to bring the multigrid performance for the Dirichlet problem in line with that with periodic boundary conditions and the prediction of the bi-grid analysis. Clearly the Euler forward explicit scheme does not have good convergence properties except for CFL numbers close to 0.5, and it is divergent for CFL numbers greater than 1. Better convergence properties are achieved with Runge–Kutta (RK) schemes. Three 4-stage RK schemes were analyzed, and the results are shown in Fig. 3.3 for the 1–D convection problem with periodic boundary conditions. With optimized coefficients Fig. 3.3(c), convergence could be obtained for CFL numbers up to three. Further, bi-grid amplification factors below 0.4 are obtained for the range of CFL numbers from 0.5 to 2.5. There is also perfect agreement between the results of the bi-grid analysis and the practical multigrid convergence rates. Similar multigrid results were obtained by Morano (1992). Figure 3.4 shows the result for the Dirichlet boundary conditions. In this case the multigrid convergence rates at higher CFL numbers are much better than predicted by either method. Clearly, the boundary effects are stronger with the RK scheme and there is no simple way to account for them in the analyses. Figure 3.5 shows results for a fully implicit scheme and for the semi-implicit Crank–Nicolson scheme, for the 1–D convection equation. Although both schemes are stable for the whole range of CFL numbers, the Crank–Nicolson scheme suffers from very poor convergence rate at high CFL numbers.

Results for the 1–D diffusion equation are presented in Figs. 3.6–3.8. Dirichlet boundary conditions are applied throughout, and the steady state–solution is shown in Fig. 3.6(a). In each case, the bi-grid analysis gives perfect agreement with the multigrid convergence rate whereas the smoothing rate obtained from the single grid analysis is consistently too optimistic. On the whole, the predicted convergence rates for each method are similar to the corresponding one obtained from the convection equation, if the diffusion number,  $d$ , is replaced by the CFL number in the latter. Clearly, if the goal is to achieve rapid convergence

to the steady state, the fully implicit scheme with high  $d$  or CFL number is the obvious choice.

The linearized Burger's equation represents a mixed convection–diffusion problem. The whole range of model type, from pure diffusion to pure convection, can be obtained simply by varying the Peclet number from a very small value to a very large value. Computed results for four values of  $Pe$  ( $10^{-4}$ , 20, 100,  $10^6$ ) are presented in Figs. 3.9–3.12, for the various discretization schemes considered here. The exact solution at the steady state is shown in Fig. 3.9(a), for the Dirichlet boundary conditions  $u(0,t) = 1$ ,  $u(1,t) = 0$ . For high values of  $Pe$ , there is a singularity near  $x=1$ . As explained previously in Sec. 3.2.3 local relaxation is performed to reduce the adverse effect of this singularity on the overall multigrid convergence rate. The results for the first– and second–order Euler time explicit schemes are presented in Figs. 3.9 and 3.10. In each case the bi–grid analysis gives quite good prediction of the multigrid convergence rate. On the other hand, single–grid analysis gives too optimistic estimates at low  $Pe$  and too pessimistic estimates at high  $Pe$ . The second–order scheme shows much poorer convergence rates, especially at high  $Pe$ . The results for the fully–implicit and semi–implicit schemes are presented in Figs. 3.11 and 3.12. The superiority of the fully–implicit scheme is confirmed, especially for high  $Pe$  flows. For  $\sigma$  (or CFL number) greater than ten, it is close to a direct solver with  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ . In these cases too, the bi–grid analysis agrees quite well with the practical multigrid convergence rate, except near  $\sigma = 1$  in the semi–implicit scheme at high  $Pe$ . Because of the limited range of  $\sigma$  where the convergence rate is much less than unity, the semi–implicit Crank–Nicolson scheme is not a viable method for obtaining steady solutions for the model problem. If the main interest is rapid convergence to steady state, then the fully–implicit scheme at high values of  $\sigma$  (or CFL number) will be optimum.

### 3.3 Euler and Navier–Stokes Equations

Presently bi-grid stability analysis has been presented for typical explicit and implicit solution methods for model problems which range from the diffusion equation to the convection equation and including the convection–diffusion equation at different Peclet numbers. For large scale practical computations, interest is really in solving the system of Euler or Navier–Stokes equations. In the following sections, the bi-grid stability analysis of fully-implicit schemes for the Euler and Navier–Stokes equations are examined under various approximate factorization methods.

As formulated previously in Chap. 2, the coupled Euler and Navier–Stokes equations based on the different time-stepping approximate factorizations are

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_x^+ A^-)][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_y^+ B^-)][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_z^- C^+ + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q = -\Delta t R^n \quad (3.31)$$

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_z^- C^+)]\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^+ A^- + \delta_y^+ B^- + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q = -\Delta t R^n \quad (3.32)$$

$$[\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A^+ + \delta_x^+ A^- + \delta_z^- C^+)]\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y^- B^+ + \delta_y^+ B^- + \delta_z^+ C^-)]\Delta Q = -\Delta t R^n \quad (3.33)$$

$$\text{where} \quad R^n = \delta_x^- E^+ + \delta_x^+ E^- + \delta_y^- F^+ + \delta_y^+ F^- + \delta_z^- G^+ + \delta_z^+ G^- \quad (3.34)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^- A_1 + \delta_y^- B_1 + \delta_z^- C_1) + \kappa_2 \Delta t(\delta_x^- + \delta_y^- + \delta_z^-)] \\ & \times [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x^+ A_2 + \delta_y^+ B_2 + \delta_z^+ C_2) - \kappa_2 \Delta t(\delta_x^+ + \delta_y^+ + \delta_z^+)]\Delta Q \quad (3.35) \\ & = -\Delta t(\delta_x E + \delta_y F + \delta_z G) - \kappa_4 \Delta t(\Delta x^3 \delta_{xxxx} + \Delta y^3 \delta_{yyyy} + \Delta z^3 \delta_{zzzz})Q \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_x A - \delta_{xx} R - \varepsilon \Delta x \delta_{xx})][\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_y B - \delta_{yy} S - \varepsilon \Delta y \delta_{yy})] \\ & \times [\mathbf{I} + \Delta t(\delta_z C - \delta_{zz} Y - \varepsilon \Delta z \delta_{zz})]\Delta Q \quad (3.36) \\ & = -\Delta t[A\delta_x - R\delta_{xx} - R_1\delta_{yx} - R_2\delta_{zx} + B\delta_y - S_1\delta_{xy} - S_2\delta_{yy} - S_3\delta_{zy} \\ & \quad + C\delta_z - Y_1\delta_{xz} - Y_2\delta_{yz} - Y\delta_{zz} + \varepsilon(\Delta x^3 \delta_{xxxx} + \Delta y^3 \delta_{yyyy} + \Delta z^3 \delta_{zzzz})]Q \end{aligned}$$



Equations (3.31),(3.32) and (3.33) are the upwind schemes that are referred to as the spatial, eigenvalue and combination factorizations, respectively, in Chap. 2. The flux–vector splitting methods of Steger–Warming (1980) and van Leer (1982) are also assumed. Equation (3.35) is the Lower and Upper (LU) approximate factorization. Here, the fluxes devised by Jameson and Turkel (1981), viz.:  $A_1 = (A + |A|)/2$  and  $A_2 = (A - |A|)/2$ , are used to achieve diagonal dominance. The operators  $\delta^+$  and  $\delta^-$  denote forward and backward difference operators, respectively. The terms  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$ , and  $\varepsilon_i$  and  $\varepsilon_e$  are the artificial dissipation coefficients for the LU decomposition and the ADI schemes, respectively. Equation (3.36) is the Beam–Warming ADI scheme for the Navier–Stokes equations, which degenerate to the Euler equations when the viscous flux Jacobians  $R, R_1, R_2, S, S_1, S_2, Y, Y_1, Y_2$  are set to zero.

### 3.3.1 Fourier Symbols

The bi–grid amplification matrix  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  is constructed from  $M = S_2^v(I - I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H L_h) S_1^{v^1}$ . For ease of presentation, the Euler equations alone are selected for illustration, with the ADI central scheme used as the smoother. In this case, viscous fluxes  $R, R_1, R_2, S, S_1, S_2, Y, Y_1, Y_2$  are set to zero. The components operators of matrix  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  are expressed as follows:

(i) *The fine/coarse grid Operator  $\hat{L}$*

The Euler equivalent form of Eq. (2.15) is

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} = - \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial G}{\partial z} \right) + \text{dissipation} \quad (3.37)$$

where dissipation is added to damp oscillations. Thus, in quasi–linear form:

$$L(Q) = - \left( A \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} + B \frac{\partial Q}{\partial y} + C \frac{\partial Q}{\partial z} \right) + \varepsilon_i \left( \Delta x \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial x^2} + \Delta y \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial y^2} + \Delta z \frac{\partial^2 Q}{\partial z^2} \right) - \varepsilon_e \left( \Delta x^3 \frac{\partial^4 Q}{\partial x^4} + \Delta y^3 \frac{\partial^4 Q}{\partial y^4} + \Delta z^3 \frac{\partial^4 Q}{\partial z^4} \right) \quad (3.38)$$

Holding  $A, B, C$  locally constant and employing second-order central differencing, the Fourier symbol of the fine grid problem assuming equal mesh spacing in all directions becomes

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{L}_h(\Theta^m) = & -\frac{I}{\Delta x} [A \sin(\Theta_1^m) + B \sin(\Theta_2^m) + C \sin(\Theta_3^m)] \\ & + \frac{2\varepsilon_i}{\Delta x} [\cos(\Theta_1^m) + \cos(\Theta_2^m) + \cos(\Theta_3^m) - 3] \quad m=1,8 \\ & - \frac{16\varepsilon_e}{\Delta x} \left[ \sin^4\left(\frac{\Theta_1^m}{2}\right) + \sin^4\left(\frac{\Theta_2^m}{2}\right) + \sin^4\left(\frac{\Theta_3^m}{2}\right) \right]\end{aligned}\quad (3.39)$$

Note that  $\Theta_k^m$  represent the  $k^{th}$  element of the  $\Theta^m$  component (see Eq. (3.9–3.11)).

For any arbitrary mode, Eq. (3.39) is a 40 X 40 matrix since each Jacobian is a 5x5 matrix and there are 8 harmonics including the fundamental mode. The coarse grid problem is assumed to be a version of the original problem on the fine grid and the coarse grid is formed simply by deleting every other fine grid point. Thus, the mesh size and Fourier modes are  $\{2\Delta x, 2\Theta^1\}$  and its Fourier signature can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{L}_H(2\Theta^1) = & -\frac{I}{2\Delta x} [A \sin(2\theta_x) + B \sin(2\theta_y) + C \sin(2\theta_z)] + \frac{\varepsilon_i}{\Delta x} [\cos(2\theta_x) + \cos(2\theta_y) \\ & + \cos(2\theta_z) - 3] - \frac{8\varepsilon_e}{\Delta x} (\sin^4\theta_x + \sin^4\theta_y + \sin^4\theta_z)\end{aligned}\quad (3.40)$$

In the above equation, only the fundamental mode,  $\Theta^1 = \{\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z\}$ , is employed since the coarse grid problem is assumed to be solved exactly. Hence, this is only a 5 X 5 matrix.

### (ii) The relaxation Operator $\hat{S}$

Each of the equations (3.31)–(3.33), (3.35) and (3.36) can be expressed as

$$N\Delta Q^n = -L = -\Delta t R^n \quad (3.41)$$

von Neumann stability analysis is used on this system of linear equations by letting the step-by-step solution be characterized by

$$Q^n = U \lambda^n e^{li\theta_x} e^{lj\theta_y} e^{lk\theta_z} \quad (3.42)$$

where  $\lambda$  is the single grid amplification factor. Thus, Eq. (3.41) reduces to a complex generalized eigenvalue problem of the form

$$\hat{K}\mathbf{x} = \lambda \hat{N}\mathbf{x} \quad \text{where} \quad \hat{K} = \hat{N} - \hat{L} \quad (3.43)$$

The Fourier symbols of  $\hat{N}$  and  $\hat{L}$ , for our particular example, can easily be shown to be

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{N}(\Theta^m) = & \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} \left( A \sin(\Theta_1^m) + 4\epsilon_i \sin^2 \frac{\Theta_1^m}{2} \right) \right] \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta y} \left( B \sin(\Theta_2^m) + 4\epsilon_i \sin^2 \frac{\Theta_2^m}{2} \right) \right] \\ & \times \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} \left( C \sin(\Theta_3^m) + 4\epsilon_i \sin^2 \frac{\Theta_3^m}{2} \right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3.44)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{L}(\Theta^m) = & \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta x} (A \sin(\Theta_1^m) + B \sin(\Theta_2^m) + C \sin(\Theta_3^m)) \\ & + \frac{16\Delta t \epsilon_e}{\Delta x} \left( \sin^4 \frac{\Theta_1^m}{2} + \sin^4 \frac{\Theta_2^m}{2} + \sin^4 \frac{\Theta_3^m}{2} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.45)$$

The Fourier symbols corresponding to the other approximate factorizations are documented in Demuren and Ibraheem (1992). For each harmonic,  $\Theta^m$  ( $m = 1, 8$ ), Eq. (3.43) is solved to give five eigenvalues from which the elements of  $\hat{S}(\Theta)$  are constructed. For example, if the eigenvalues corresponding to the mode  $\Theta^1 = \{\theta_x, \theta_y, \theta_z\}$  are  $\lambda = \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4, \lambda_5\}$ , then, from Eq. (3.11),  $\hat{S}(\Theta^1) = \lambda \mathbf{I}$ . The effective fine grid smoothing operation is obtained by raising the smoothing matrices to the power of  $\nu^1$  and  $\nu^2$ , the pre- and post-smoothing counts, respectively.

(iii) *The Transfer Operators  $\hat{I}_H^h$  and  $\hat{I}_h^H$*

For a second-order interpolation, the Fourier symbol of the prolongation operator, from Eq. (3.12), is expressed as

$$\hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^m) = \frac{1}{8} [1 + \cos(\Theta_1^m)] [1 + \cos(\Theta_2^m)] [1 + \cos(\Theta_3^m)] \quad (3.46)$$

The restriction operator,  $\hat{I}_h^H$ , is computed from this equation and Eq. (3.13) assuming full-weighting.

Based on the above operators,  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  is assembled from  $M = S_2^{\nu^2} (I - I_H^h L_H^{-1} I_h^H L_h) S_1^{\nu^1}$ . A symbolic form is given in Appendix C. It is an 8x8 block matrix of which each elemental block is a 5x5 matrix.

### 3.3.2 Solution Procedure

The eigenvalues for the bi-grid matrix  $\hat{M}(\Theta)$  are computed from Eq. (3.8) over fixed Fourier modes to obtain the amplification factor. Sixteen modes are selected, in the range  $-\pi/2 \leq \Theta^1 \leq \pi/2$ . The smoothing factor is also computed from the generalized eigenvalue problem (3.43) over only the high-frequency modes  $\pi/4 \leq |\Theta^1| < \pi/2$  as  $\lambda_{\mu_{sg}} = \max(|\lambda|)$ . In each case, the eigenvalues are solved for using the linear algebra routines such as found in the IMSL library. Uniform flow is assumed with  $M_\infty = 0.8$ , zero yaw ( $\alpha_y$ ) and angle of attack ( $\alpha_a$ ), and  $\gamma = 1.4$ . Further, the grid spacing is assumed to be uniform in all directions. Effects of aspect ratio and flow skewness are also investigated. The time-step and Reynolds number are calculated from

$$\Delta t = \frac{CFL}{\left[ \frac{|u|}{\Delta x} + \frac{|v|}{\Delta y} + \frac{|w|}{\Delta z} + c \sqrt{\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{1}{\Delta y^2} + \frac{1}{\Delta z^2}} \right]} \quad (3.47)$$

$$Re = \frac{\rho |V| (\sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2 + \Delta z^2})}{\mu} \quad (3.48)$$

Some other pertinent definitions used are as follows:

$$|V| = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2 + w^2} \quad , \quad M_\infty = \frac{|V|}{a} \quad , \quad v = u \tan(\alpha_y) \quad , \quad w = u \tan(\alpha_a) \quad (3.49)$$

### 3.3.3 Convergence Rates

In previous sections, we have thoroughly assessed the capability of bi-grid analysis to predict more accurately the performance of multigrid methods using scalar model equations. In order to completely rely on its results to guide us in correctly implementing multigrid procedures in future chapters, it is equally very important to know how bi-grid will predict multigrid performance in complicated practical problems. Rather than implementing multigrid procedures for each of the schemes discussed above, as we have done for the scalar model problems, we base our comparisons on the actual multigrid solutions obtained by Anderson et. al. (1988) for the three upwind based factorizations using van-Leer flux-vector splitting. The multigrid solutions were obtained for the ONERA M6 wing at transonic conditions: a Mach number of 0.84, an angle of attack of  $3.06^\circ$  and mesh size  $97 \times 17 \times 17$ . From Figs. 3.13(d)–3.13(f) the prediction (from both the single grid analysis and bi-grid analysis) rates multigrid performance for these schemes in this order: spatial, combination and eigenvalue factorizations, which also agrees with the results of Anderson et al. However, they experimentally found that practical multigrid solutions required an optimal CFL number of about seven for each of the schemes. This is the exact result predicted by the present bi-grid analysis, and is much greater than the CFL of about three predicted by the single grid analysis. Anderson et al. also computed the convergence rates for the best scheme, namely spatial factorization, and the worst scheme, namely the eigenvalue factorization. His results are compared with the values predicted by the bi-grid and smoothing factors in Table 3.1. From this table, the superiority of bi-grid analysis over single grid analysis is further demonstrated. Although the eigenvalue factorization has the worst multigrid convergence rate of 0.93, Anderson et al. found that it represents a good improvement over a corresponding single grid computation with a convergence rate of 0.98. This latter value also coincides with  $\lambda_{\max}$  computed in Chap. 2 for this scheme.

Table 3.1: Convergence Characteristics of Transonic Flow on ONERA M8 Wing

Optimal	Spatial	Eigenvalue	Combination	Comment
$(CFL, \lambda)_{\mu - sg}$	3, 0.76	3, 0.80	4, 0.75	single grid analysis
$(CFL, \lambda)_{\max - bg}$	7, 0.89	7, 0.91	7, 0.89	bi-grid analysis
$(CFL, \varrho)_{mg}$	7, 0.90	7, 0.93	7, -	From Andersen et al. (1988)

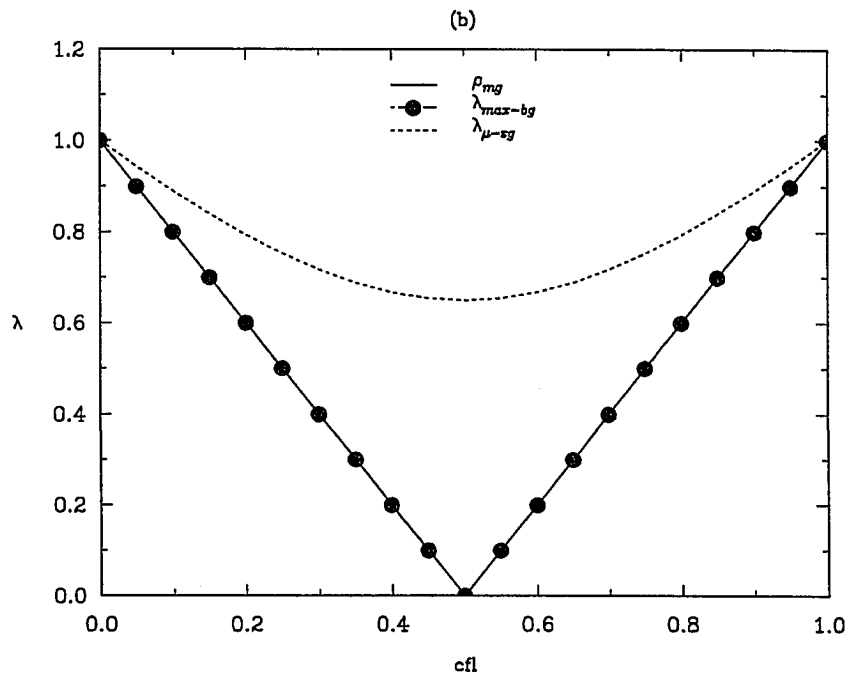
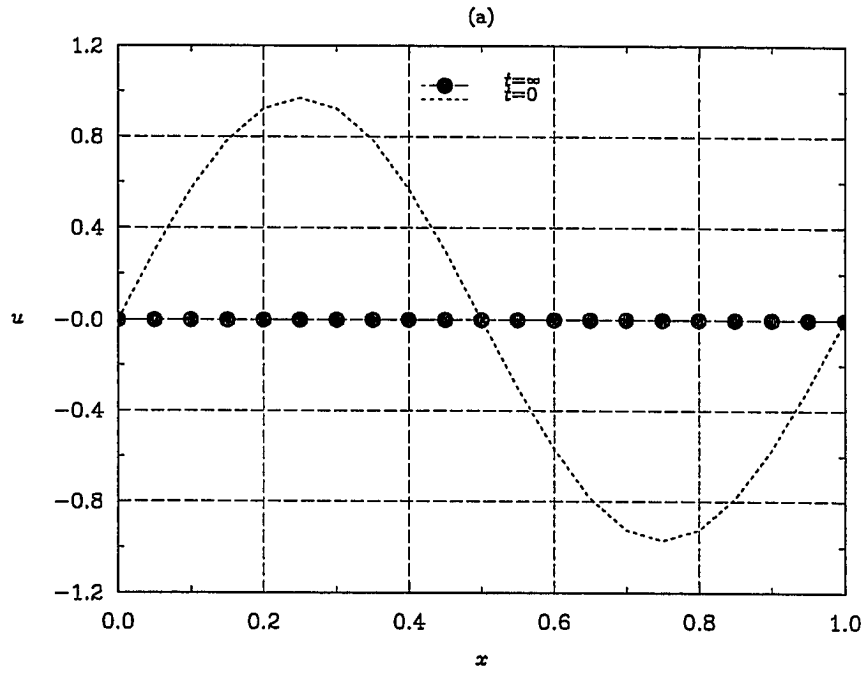


Fig. 3.1: 1-D Convection Equation (a) Steady solution (b) Convergence Characteristics (Euler forward explicit; Periodic B.C's).

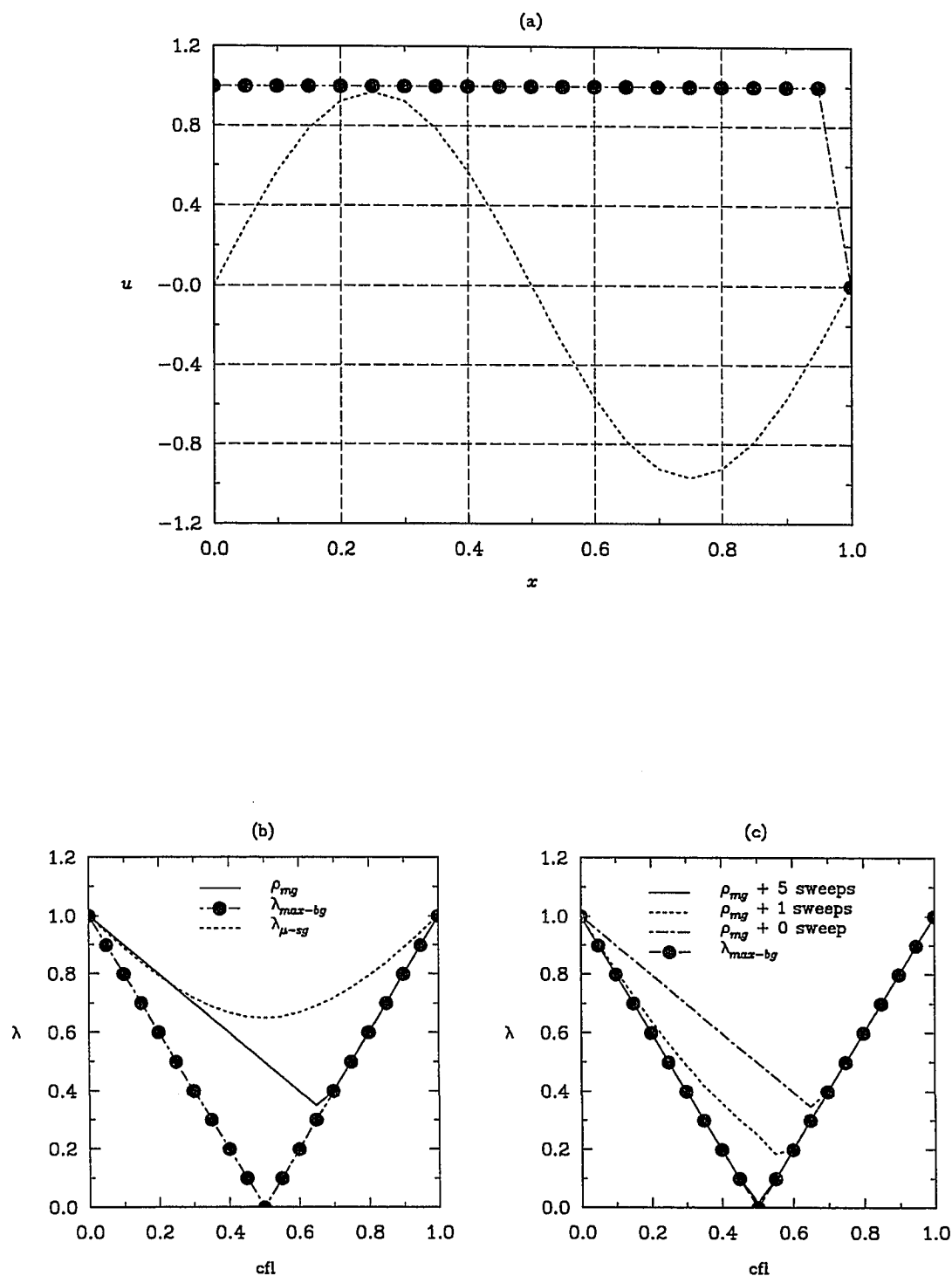


Fig. 3.2: 1-D Convection Equation (a) Steady solution (b) Convergence Characteristics without local relaxation (c) Convergence Characteristics with local relaxation(Euler forward explicit; Dirichlet B.C's).



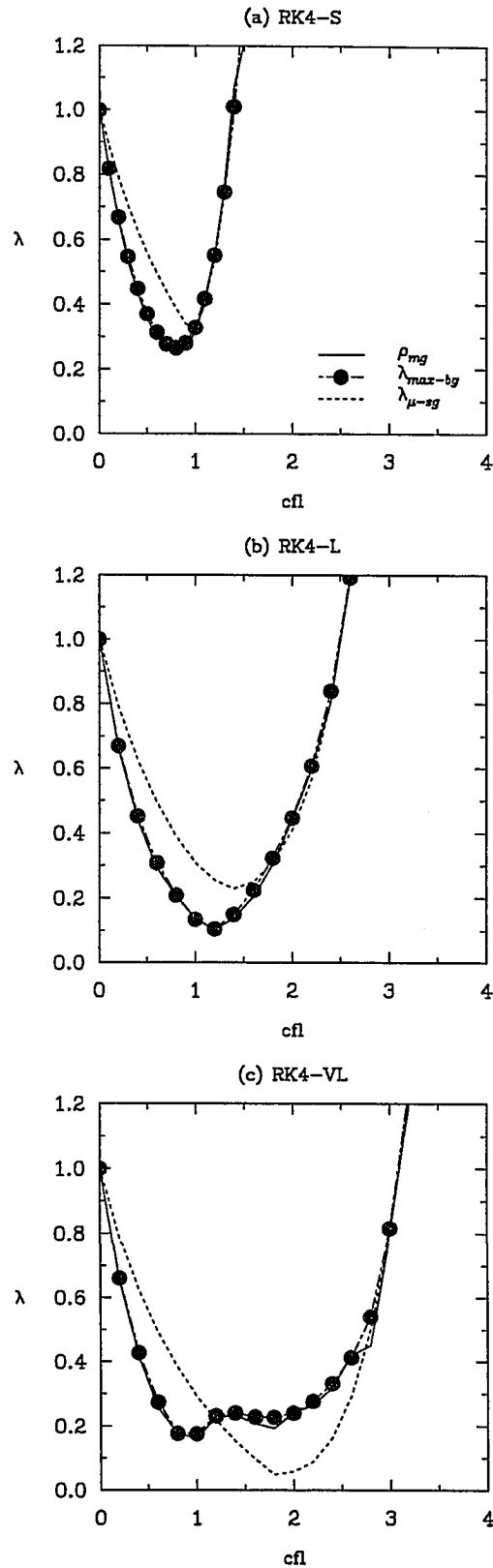


Fig. 3.3: Convergence Characteristics for 1-D Convection Equation (a)Standard (b) Lallemand (c) van Leer Coefficients (4-Stage Runge Kutta; Dirichlet B.C's)

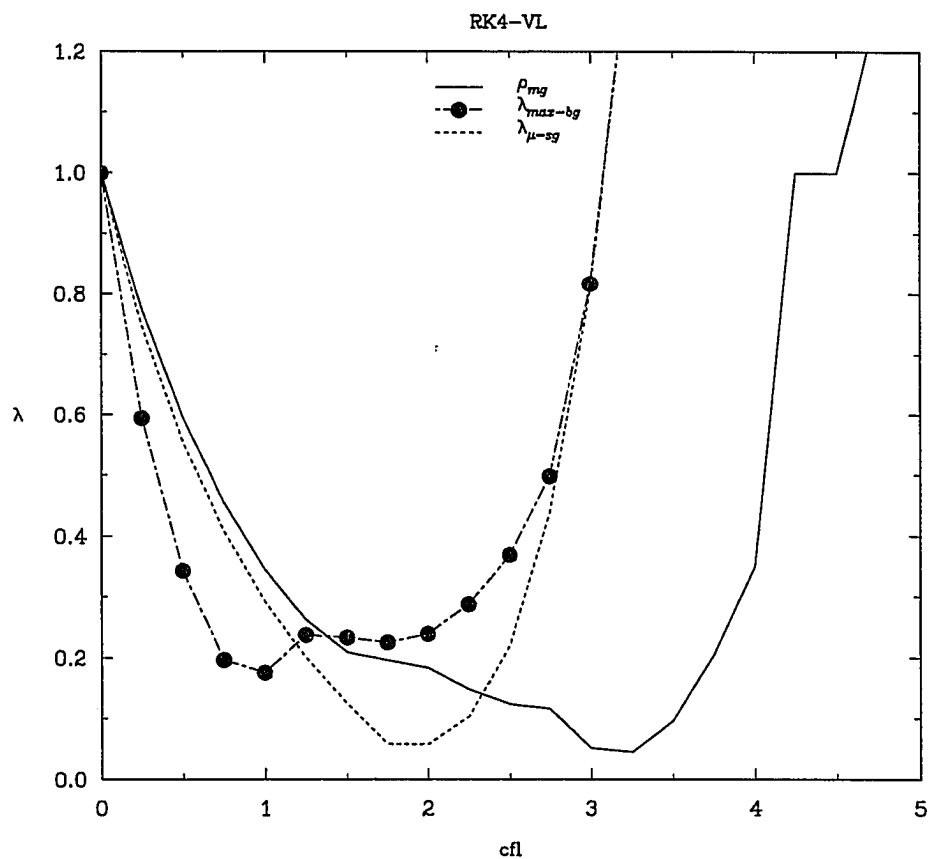


Fig. 3.4: Convergence Characteristics for 1-D Convection Equation (4-Stage Runge Kutta; Dirichlet B.C's; van Leer coefficients).

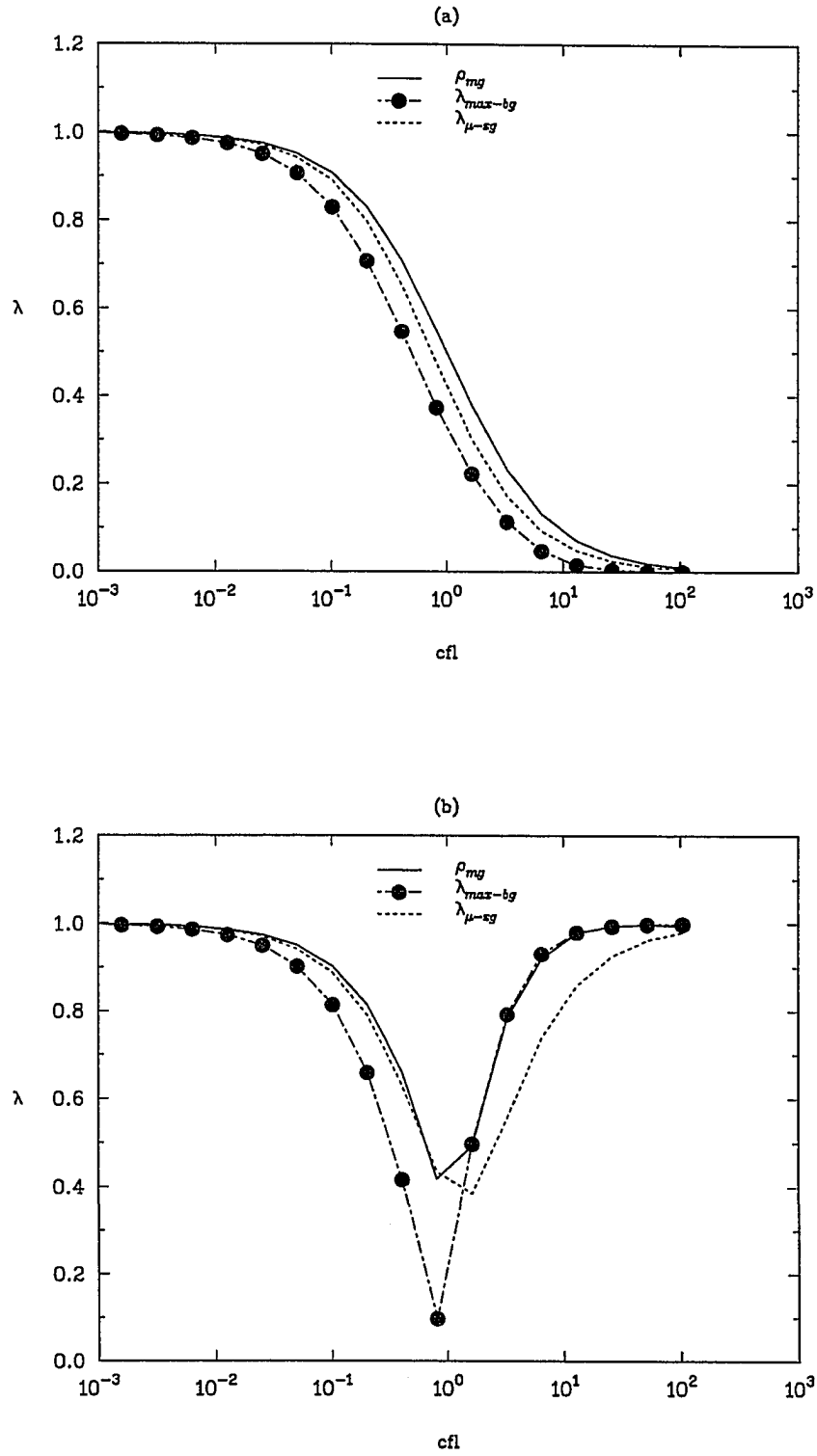


Fig. 3.5: Convergence Characteristics for 1-D Convection Equation  
(a) Implicit (b) Semi-implicit time integrations (Dirichlet B.C's).

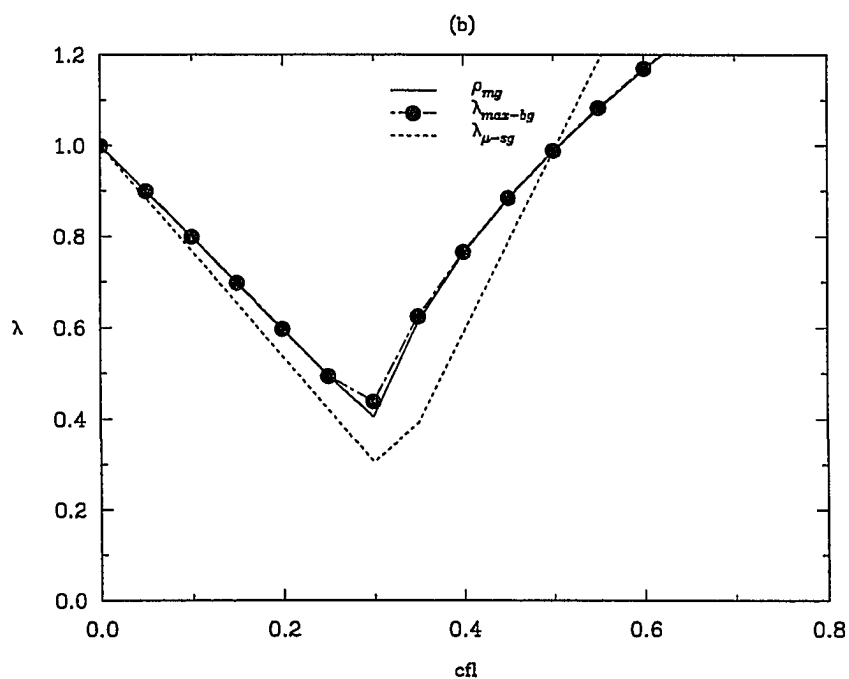
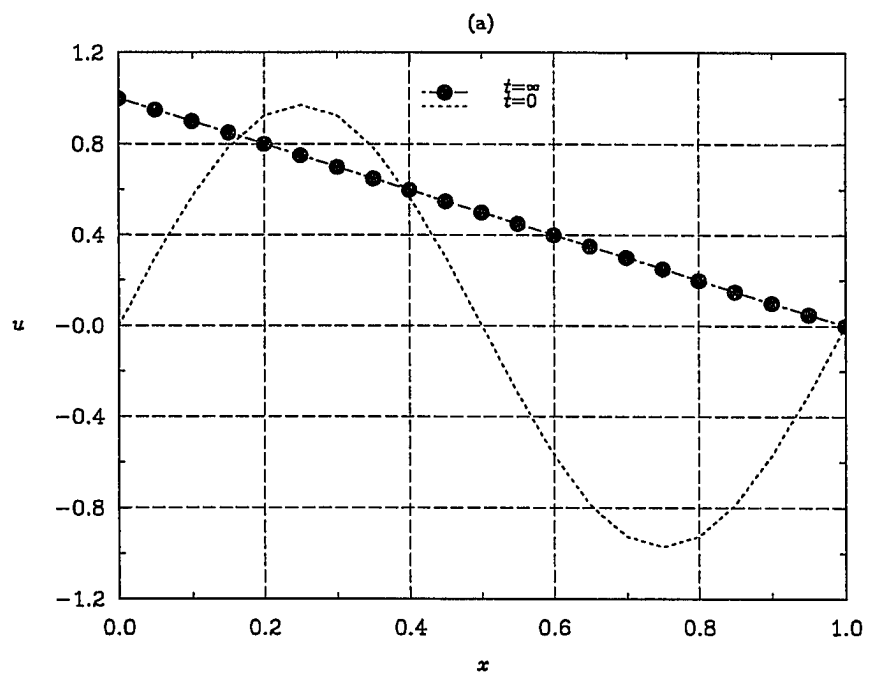


Fig. 3.6: 1-D Diffusion Equation (a) Steady solution (b) Convergence Characteristics (Euler forward explicit; Dirichlet B.C's).

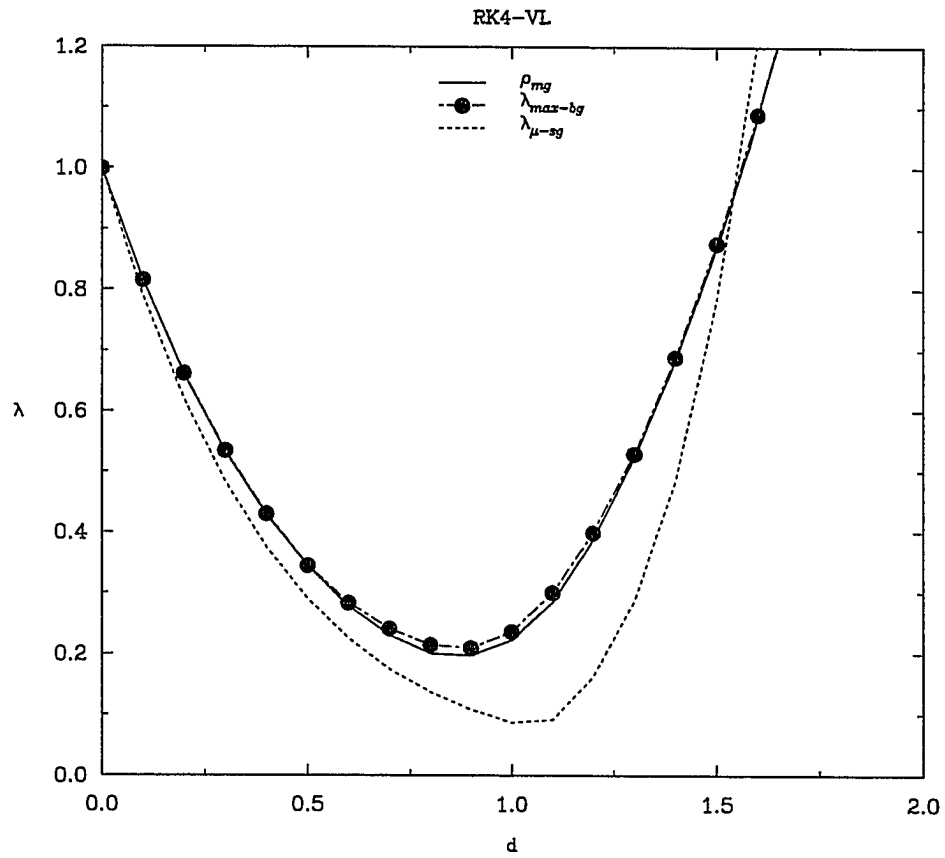


Fig. 3.7: Convergence Characteristics for 1-D Diffusion Equation (4-Stage Runge Kutta; Dirichlet B.C's; van Leer coefficients).

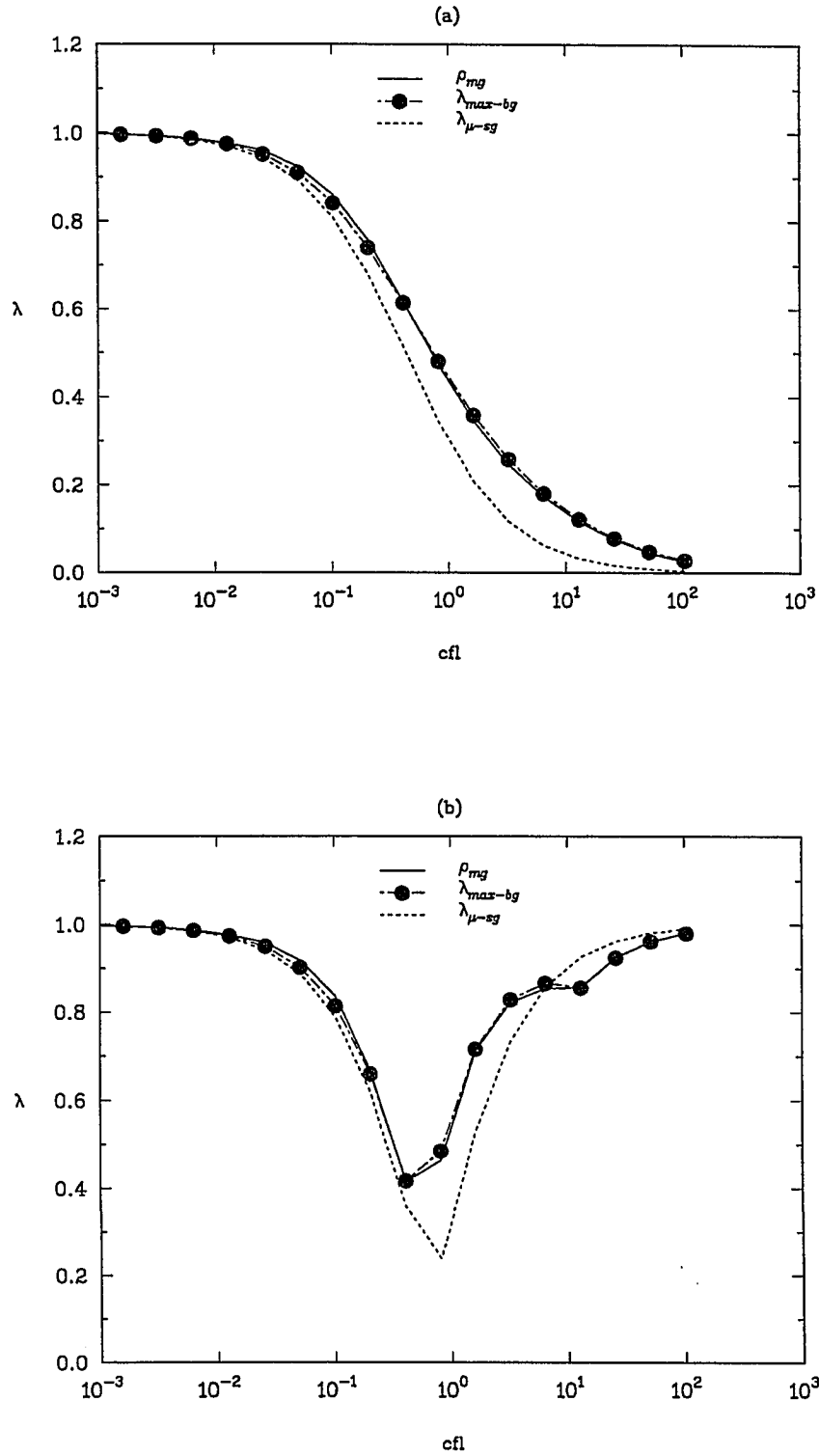


Fig. 3.8: Convergence Characteristics for 1-D Diffusion Equation  
(a) Implicit (b) Semi-implicit time integrations (Dirichlet B.C's).

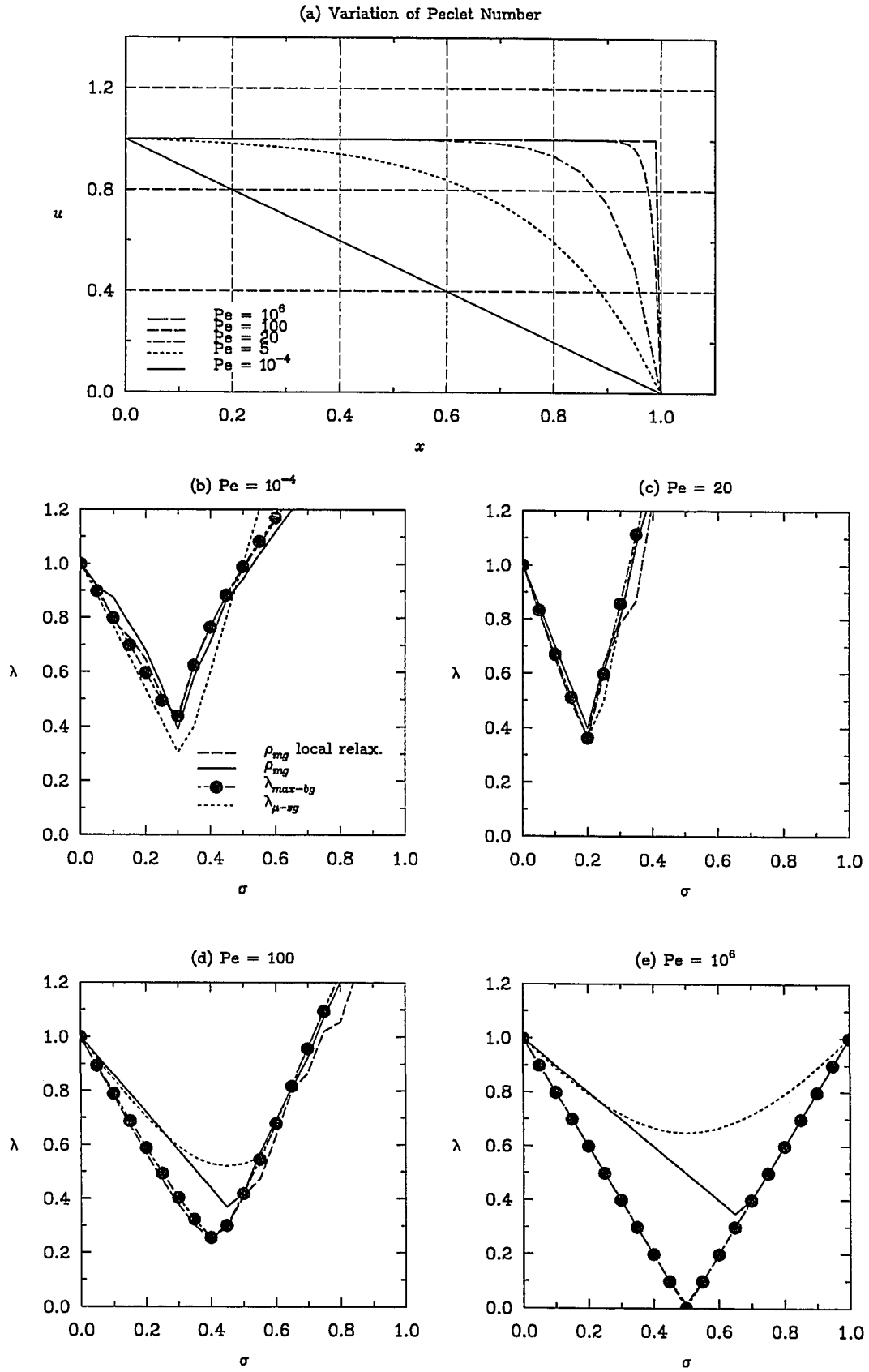


Fig. 3.9: 1-D Linear Burger's Equation (a) Steady solution (b) Convergence Characteristics (Euler forward explicit; 1st O accurate).

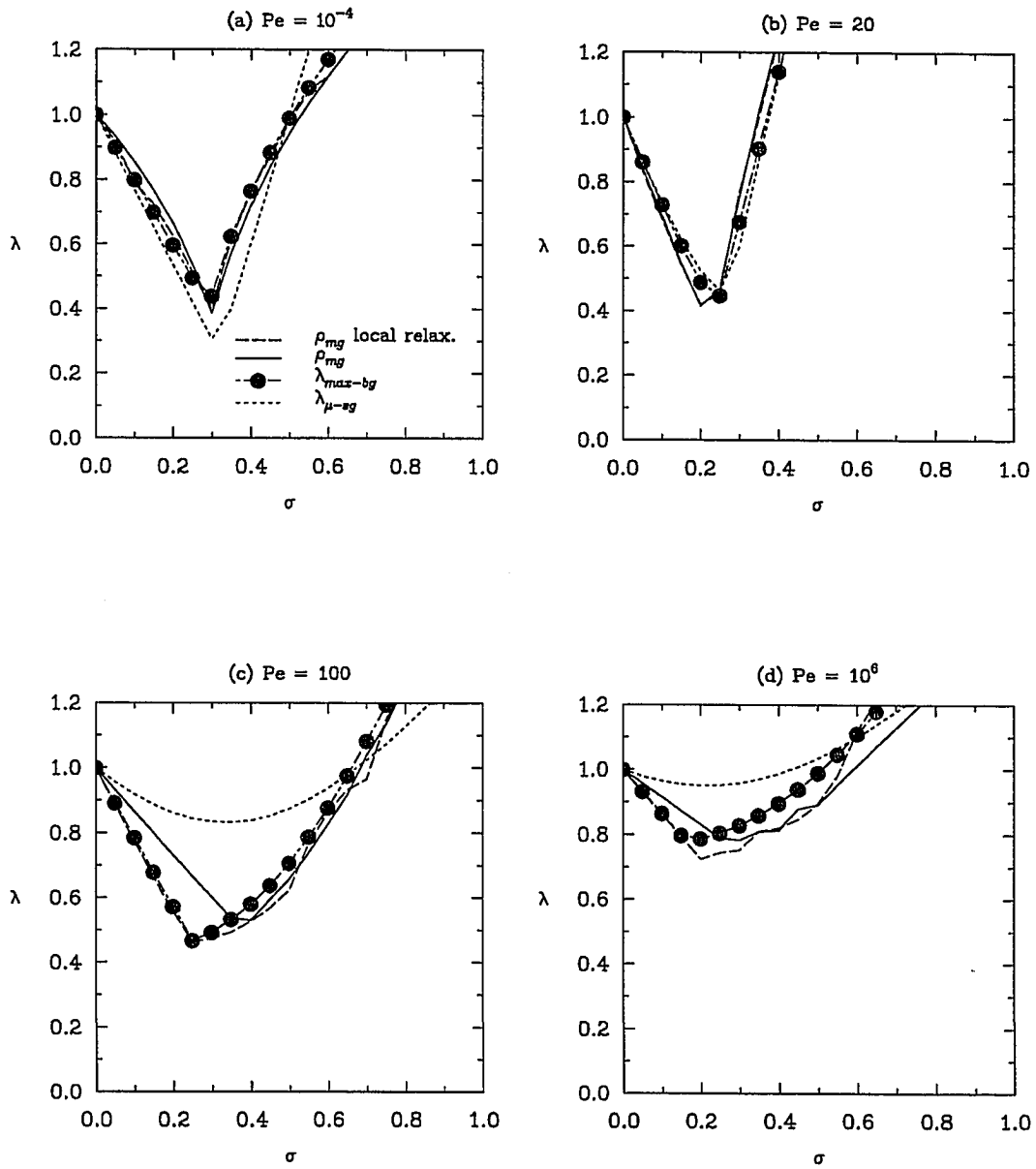


Fig. 3.10: 1-D Burger's Equation (a)–(d) Convergence Characteristics (Euler forward explicit; 2nd O accurate).



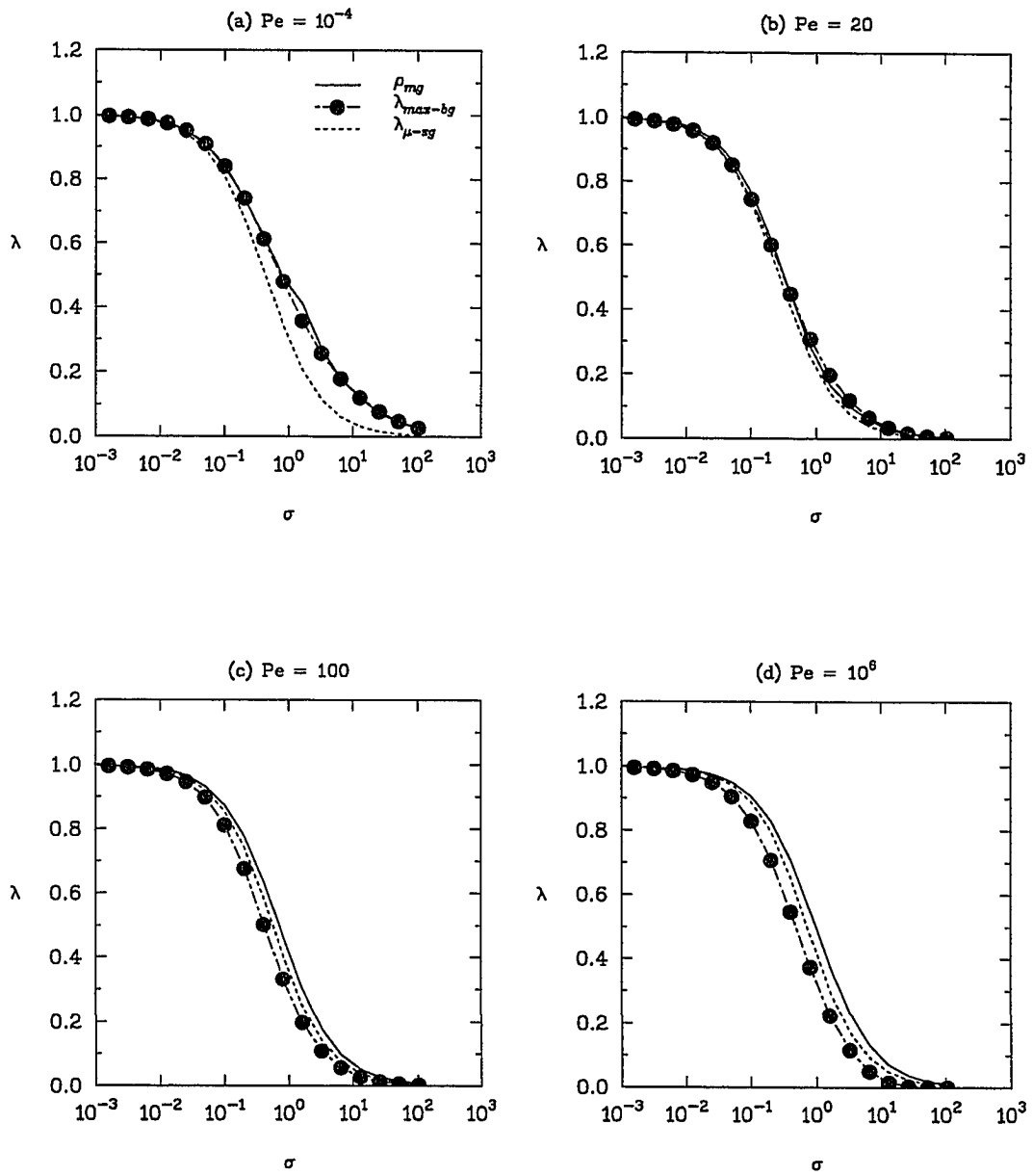


Fig. 3.11: 1-D Burger's Equation (a)–(d) Convergence Characteristics (Implicit time integration).

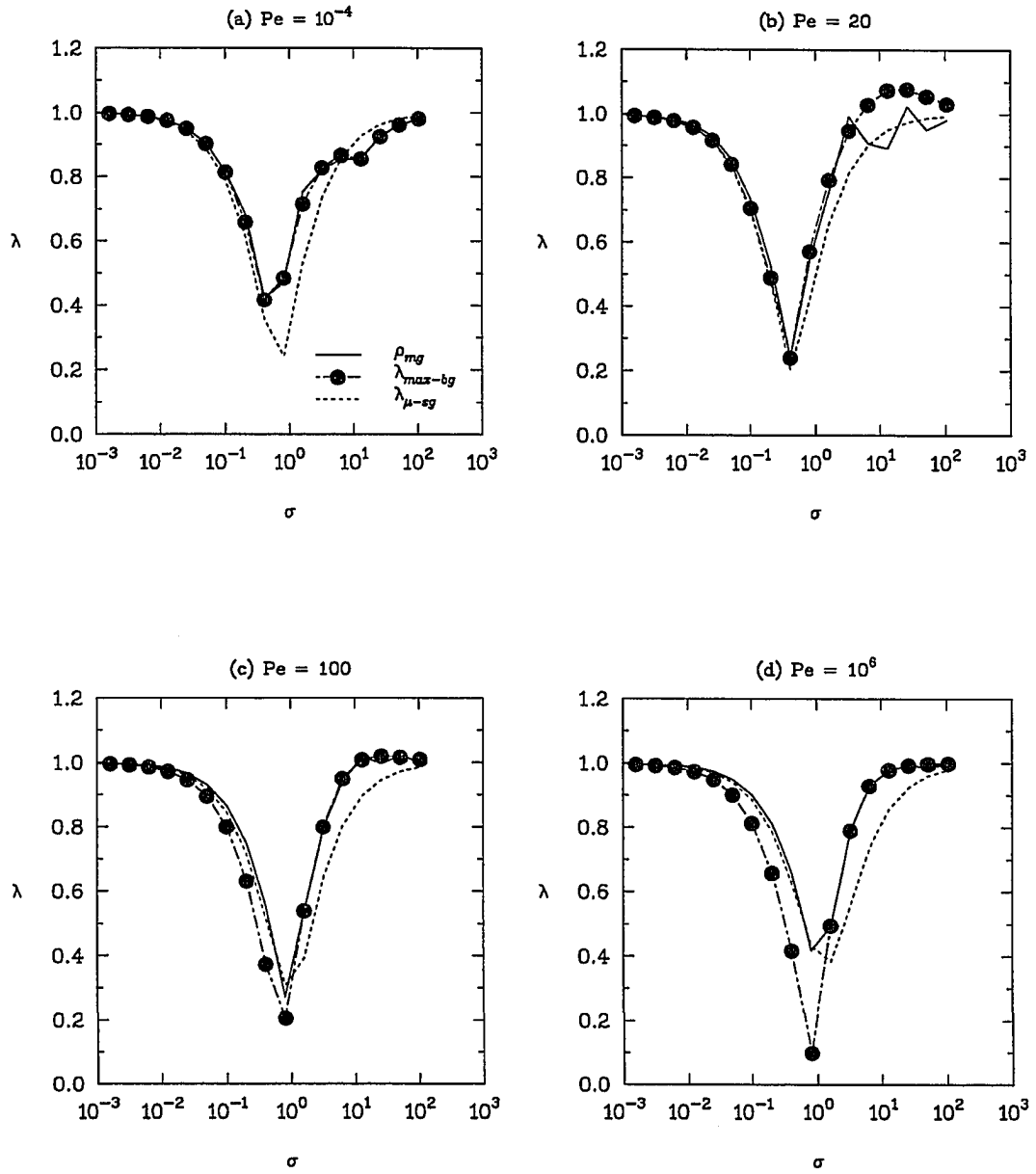


Fig. 3.12: 1-D Burger's Equation (a)–(d) Convergence Characteristics (Semi-implicit time integration).

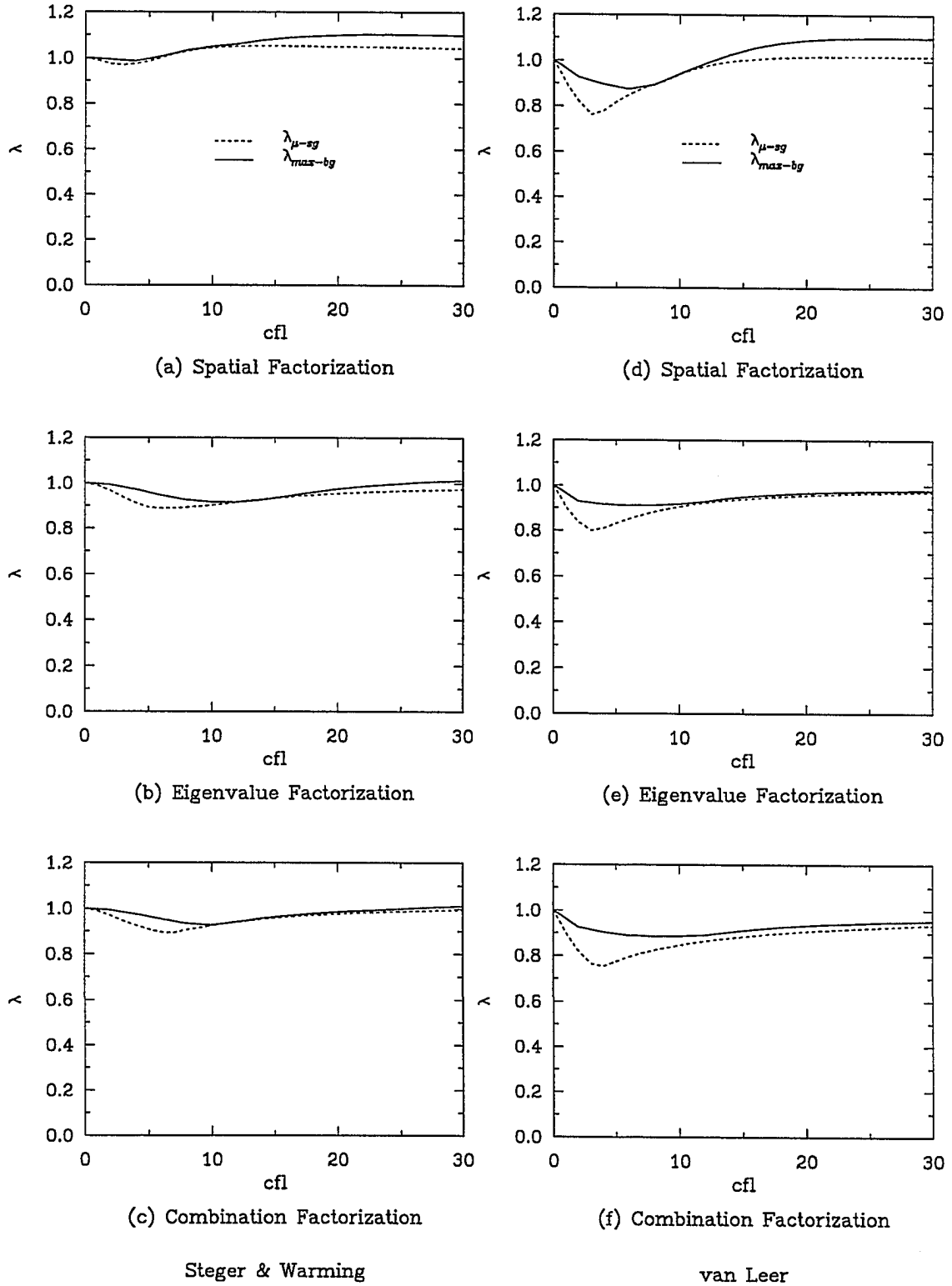


Fig. 3.13: 3-D Euler Equations using upwind schemes (a)–(f)  
Convergence Characteristics ( $\nu^1=1; \nu^2=0$ )

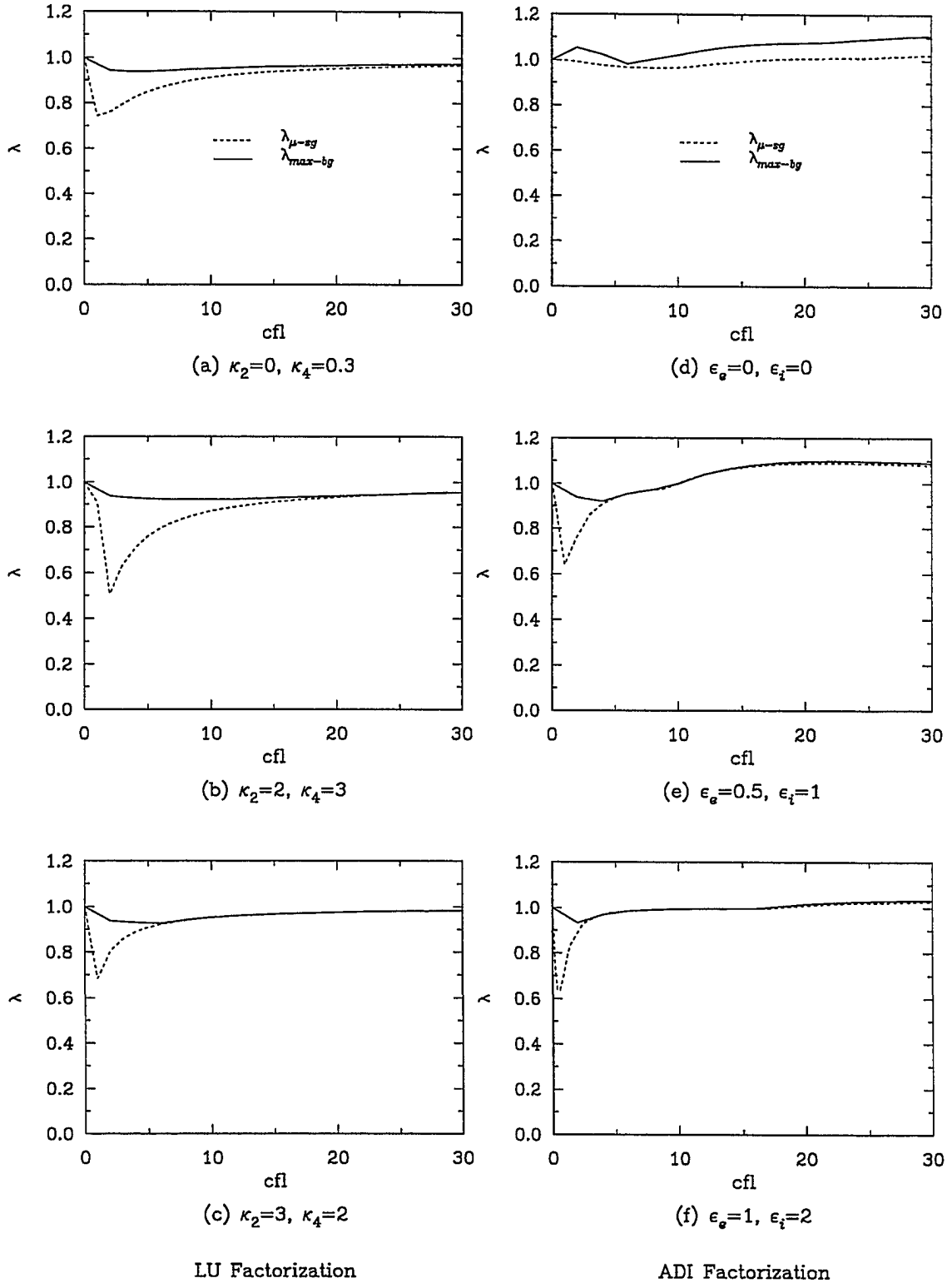


Fig. 3.14: 3-D Euler Equations using central schemes (a)–(f)  
Convergence Characteristics ( $\nu^1=1; \nu^2=0$ )

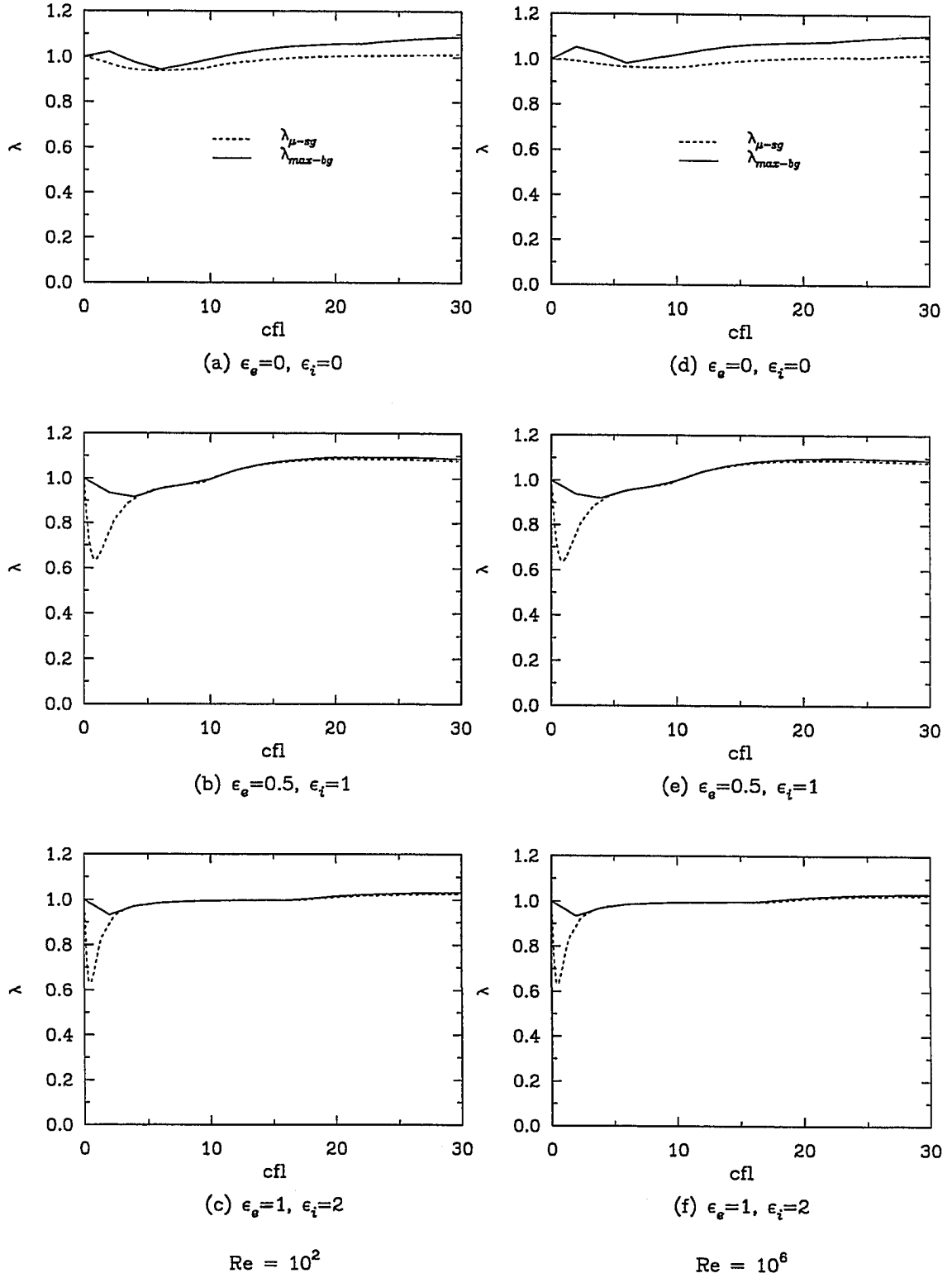


Fig. 3.15: 3-D Navier-Stokes Equations using central schemes (a)–(f)  
Convergence Characteristics ( $\nu^1=1; \nu^2=0$ )

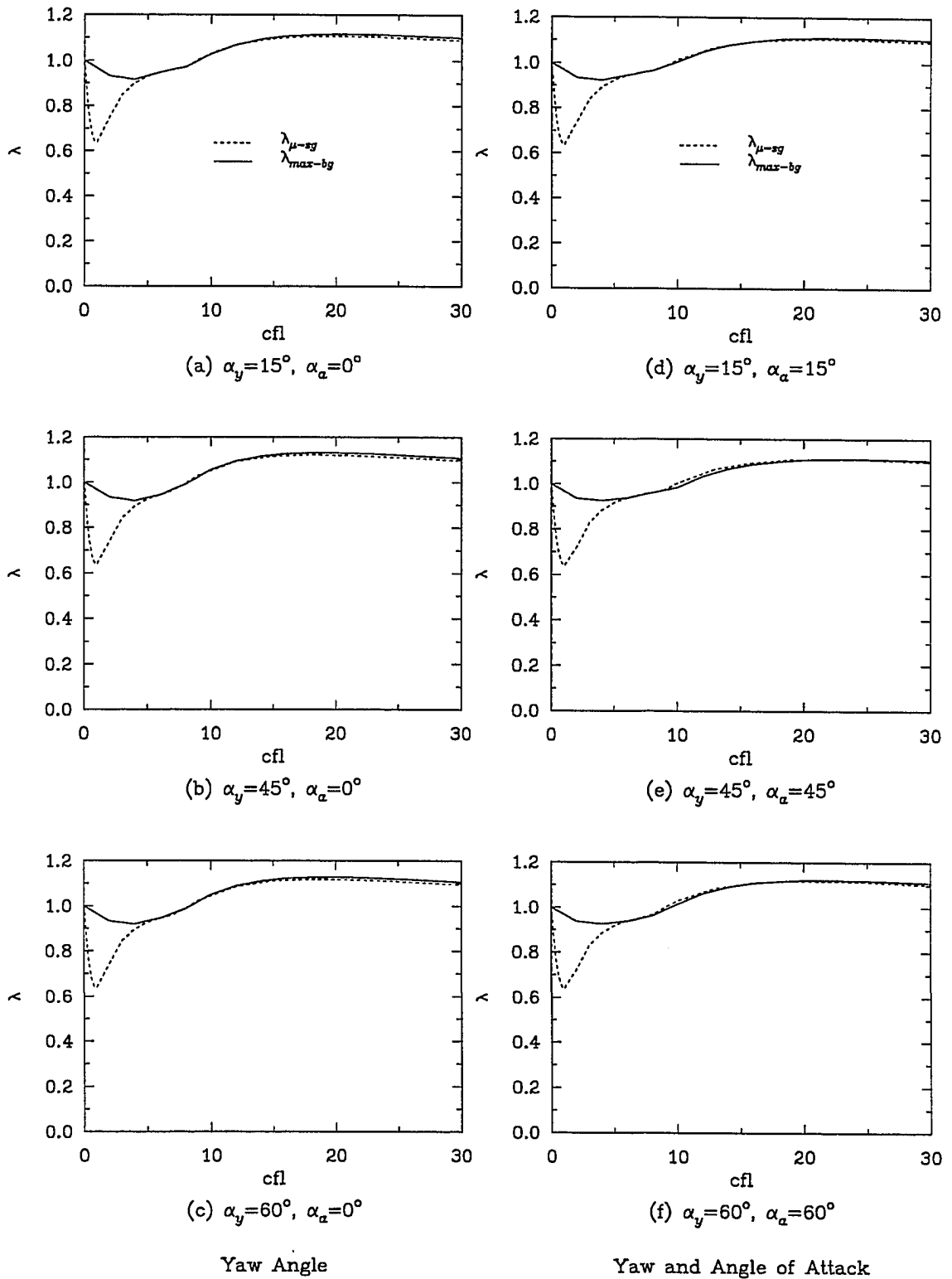


Fig. 3.16: 3-D Navier-Stokes Equations using central schemes (a)–(f) Convergence Characteristics; Flow Skewness ( $Re=100$ ,  $\epsilon_g=0.5$ ,  $\epsilon_i=1$ ,  $\nu^1=1$ ;  $\nu^2=0$ )

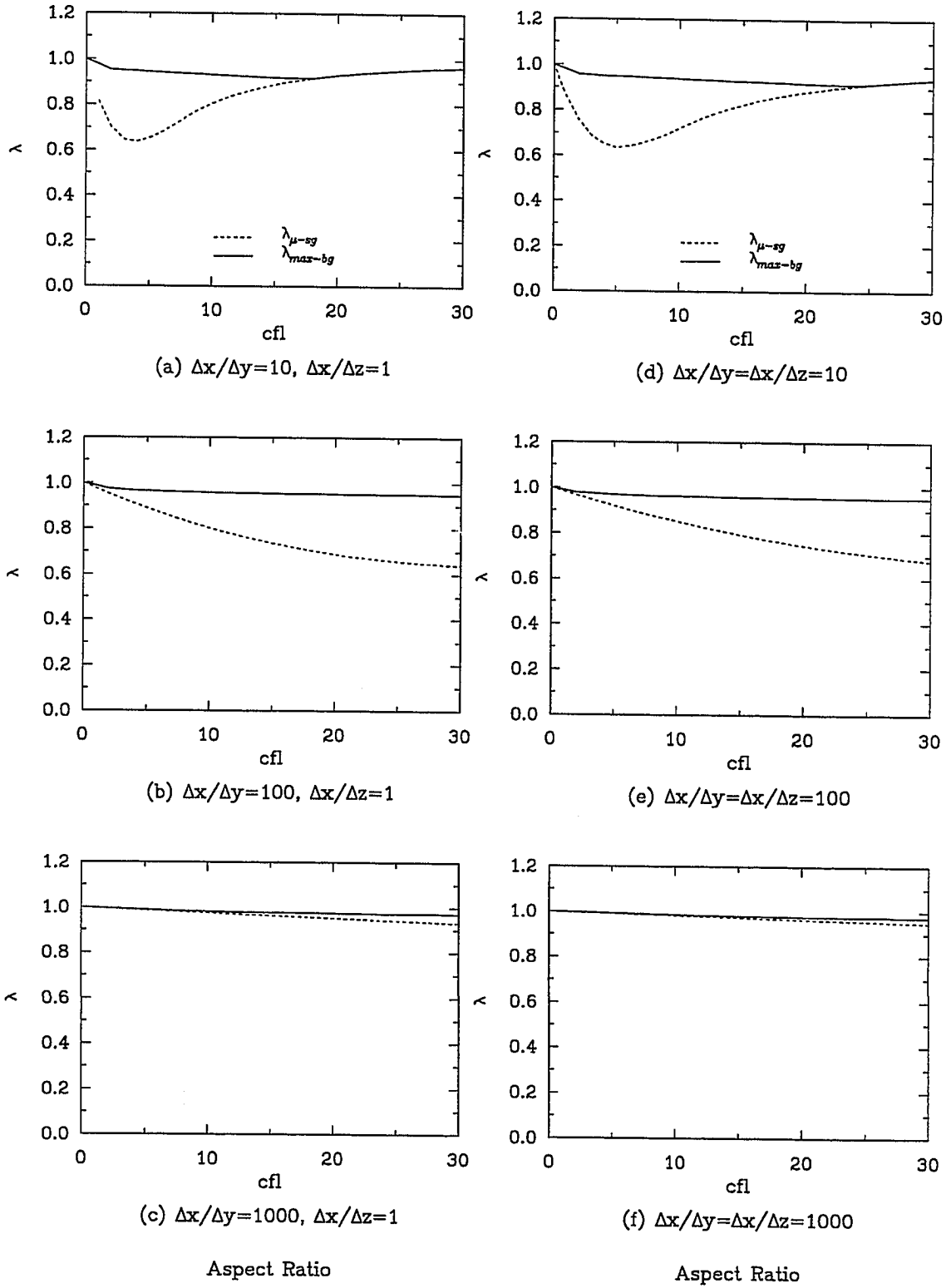


Fig. 3.17: 3-D Navier-Stokes Equations using central schemes (a)–(f) Convergence Characteristics; Aspect Ratio ( $Re=100$ ,  $\epsilon_e=0.5$ ,  $\epsilon_i=1$ ,  $\nu^1=1$ ;  $\nu^2=0$ )

### 3.3.4 Results for the Euler and Navier–Stokes Equations

Figure 3.13 shows the convergence results for the 3–D Euler equations using the upwind schemes. The computed values for the smoothing factor ( $\lambda_{\mu_{sg}}$ ) and bi–grid amplification factor ( $\lambda_{\max_{bg}}$ ) for the spatial, eigenvalue, and combination factorizations based on the Steger–Warming flux–vector splitting are shown in Figs. 3.13(a)–(c), respectively. Both factors predict instability for the spatial–split scheme, especially for a CFL number beyond five. In the eigenvalue and combination factorizations, better convergence characteristics are observed, although the smoothing factor’s prediction is slightly more optimistic. For these two factorizations, bi–grid analysis predicts near instability at CFL number above 25, whereas the smoothing factor predicts unconditional stability for all CFL numbers. Figs 3.13(d)–(f) show predictions for multigrid performance of each factorization using the van Leer flux–vector splitting. Except for the spatial factorization, all the schemes are predicted unconditionally stable for all CFL numbers by both bi–grid and smoothing factors. The spatial factorization is stable only for CFL numbers below 12 and possesses better convergence characteristics at CFL number below 8 than the other two factorizations. From both analyses, i.e. from ( $\lambda_{\mu_{sg}}$ ) and ( $\lambda_{\max_{bg}}$ ), van Leer flux–vector splitting gives better convergence characteristics than the Steger–Warming method for multigrid procedures. It is observed that the present results of the smoothing factors for the van Leer method are similar to those presented by Anderson et. al. (1988), and Demuren and Ibraheem (1994).

Results for the 3–D Euler equations using the LU approximate factorization with central difference approximations and various levels of second– and fourth–order artificial viscosities,  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$ , are shown in Figs. 3.14(a)–(c). Without the addition of second–order dissipations, i.e.  $\kappa_2 = 0$ , the coefficient  $\kappa_4 = 0.3$  yields the optimal results (see Fig. 3.14(a)). From Figs. 3.14(b) and 3.14(c), bi–grid and single grid analyses predict that an appropriate combination of  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$  (especially when  $\kappa_4 \geq \kappa_2$ ) can significantly improve the performance of the LU scheme when used as a relaxation scheme for multigrid. Also for



all levels of dissipation, the smoothing factors estimates are more optimistic than the bi-grid results, especially at lower CFL numbers.

The convergence characteristics for the 3-D Euler and Navier–Stokes equations for different levels of artificial dissipation and Reynolds numbers are shown in Figs. 3.14(d)–(f) and Fig. 3.15, using the Beam–Warming (ADI) central difference scheme as the base solution algorithm. With no dissipation added to the Euler equations (Fig. 3.14(d)), the bi-grid analysis predicts instability for all CFL numbers, while the smoothing factor predicts stability for CFL numbers below 15. From Figs. 3.14(e) and 3.14(f), optimal multigrid performance is predicted by the bi-grid analysis for dissipation levels of  $\varepsilon_e = 0.5$  and  $\varepsilon_i = 1.0$ . These results are similar to those obtained for the Navier–Stokes equations at  $Re=10^6$  (see Figs. 3.15(d)–3.15(f)). With Reynolds number of 100 and no dissipation, both bi-grid and smoothing factors predict stability for certain range of CFL numbers although the latter is more optimistic. Also at this Reynolds number, the optimal dissipation levels are  $\varepsilon_e = 0.5$  and  $\varepsilon_i = 1.0$ .

All computations have been based on zero yaw and angle of attack, and also on uniform grid spacing in all directions. Sensitivities of convergence characteristics to flow skewness and aspect ratio are studied using the ADI central–difference scheme at Reynolds number of 100, and dissipation levels of  $\varepsilon_e = 0.5$  and  $\varepsilon_i = 1.0$ . The results are shown in Figs. 3.16 and 3.17. Generally, convergence characteristics are improved with increases in yaw angle at zero angle of attack, although the range of stable CFL numbers becomes smaller (Figs. 3.16(a)–(c)). From Figs. 3.16(d)–(f), no significant difference is observed in the convergence results when the yaw and angle of attack are set equal to each other. However, from Fig. 3.17, the convergence characteristics become worse with increases in grid aspect ratio.

### 3.4 Concluding Remarks

Bi-grid stability analysis has been presented for typical explicit and implicit solution methods for model problems which range from the diffusion equation to the convection equation and including the convection–diffusion equation at different Peclet numbers. Bi-grid amplification factors were compared with smoothing factors and multigrid convergence rates. The predicted bi-grid amplification factors agree quite well with the asymptotic convergence rate of the multigrid method. The smoothing rate of the relaxation scheme obtained from a local mode analysis on a single grid is not an accurate predictor of the multigrid convergence rate. For multigrid performance in large scale practical computations, bi-grid amplification factors and smoothing factors were computed from the system of 3–D Euler and Navier–Stokes equations; various approximate factorization methods that are popular in practice have been considered. The bi-grid results also compared better with the convergence rate of a typical multigrid solution of the 3–D transonic flow than did predictions of the smoothing factor approach. Armed with this versatile tool, the multigrid procedure can now be developed in subsequent chapters for both steady and unsteady flow.

## Chapter 4

### COMPUTATIONAL METHOD

The Proteus computer code (Towne et al., 1990) developed at NASA is modified for the present study. The code solved the two-dimensional, Reynolds averaged, unsteady compressible Navier–Stokes equations in strong conservation law form. The governing equations, derived from the basic principles of conservation of mass, momentum and energy, are written in Cartesian coordinates and transformed into generalized nonorthogonal body fitted coordinates. They are solved by marching in time using a fully coupled alternating–direction–implicit (ADI) solution procedure with generalized first– or second–order time accuracy. Turbulence effects are accounted for using either an algebraic or two–equation eddy viscosity model. A brief summary of the mathematical formulation follows.

#### 4.1 Governing Equations

The basic governing equations are the two-dimensional compressible Navier–Stokes equations. In generalized curvilinear coordinates, the two-dimensional planar equations can be written in strong conservation law form using vector notation as:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(E - E_v)}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial(F - F_v)}{\partial \eta} = 0 \quad (4.1)$$

where the conserved variables of vector  $Q$  are defined as:

$$Q = \frac{1}{J}[\varrho, \varrho u, \varrho v, \varrho e_o]^T \quad (4.2)$$

The inviscid flux vectors  $E$  and  $F$  are

$$E = \frac{1}{J} \begin{bmatrix} \varrho u \xi_x + \varrho v \xi_y \\ (\varrho u^2 + p) \xi_x + \varrho uv \xi_y \\ \varrho uv \xi_x + (\varrho v^2 + p) \xi_y \\ (\varrho e_o + p) u \xi_x + (\varrho e_o + p) v \xi_y \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.3)$$

$$F = \frac{1}{J} \begin{bmatrix} \varrho u \eta_x + \varrho v \eta_y \\ (\varrho u^2 + p) \eta_x + \varrho uv \eta_y \\ \varrho uv \eta_x + (\varrho v^2 + p) \eta_y \\ (\varrho e_o + p) u \eta_x + (\varrho e_o + p) v \eta_y \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.4)$$

The viscous flux vectors  $E_v$  and  $F_v$  are

$$E_v = \frac{1}{J} \frac{1}{\text{Re}_r} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \tau_{xx} \xi_x + \tau_{xy} \xi_y \\ \tau_{xy} \xi_x + \tau_{yy} \xi_y \\ \beta_x \xi_x + \beta_y \xi_y \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.5)$$

$$F_v = \frac{1}{J} \frac{1}{\text{Re}_r} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \tau_{xx} \eta_x + \tau_{xy} \eta_y \\ \tau_{xy} \eta_x + \tau_{yy} \eta_y \\ \beta_x \eta_x + \beta_y \eta_y \end{bmatrix} \quad (4.6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_x &= u \tau_{xx} + v \tau_{xy} - \frac{1}{\text{Pr}_r} q_x \\ \beta_y &= u \tau_{xy} + v \tau_{yy} - \frac{1}{\text{Pr}_r} q_y \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
\tau_{xx} &= 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \lambda \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \\
\tau_{yy} &= 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \lambda \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \\
\tau_{xy} &= \mu \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\
q_x &= -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \\
q_y &= -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}
\end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

The governing equations as expressed above have been nondimensionalized using reference conditions  $u_r$ ,  $l_r$ ,  $\rho_r$  and  $T_r$ . The derivatives in the shear stresses and heat fluxes are in Cartesian coordinates and must be evaluated in terms of the generalized coordinates using the chain rule. For example,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \xi} \xi_x + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \eta} \eta_x \tag{4.9}$$

Note that the conserved variables and all the fluxes are defined in curvilinear coordinates and not in Cartesian coordinates as in Chaps. 3 and 4. In addition to the above equations, an equation of state is required to link the pressure to the dependent variables. The ideal gas law is chosen which for a calorically perfect gases can be written as

$$p = (\gamma - 1) \left[ \rho e_o - \frac{1}{2} \rho (u^2 + v^2) \right] \tag{4.10}$$

## 4.2 Time Differencing

The governing equations are solved by marching in time from some known set of initial conditions using a finite difference technique. The time differencing used is the generalized scheme of Beam and Warming (1978), where the time derivative term in Eq. (4.1) is written as

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} = \frac{\theta_1}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial(\Delta Q^n)}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial Q^n}{\partial t} + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\Delta Q^{(n-1)}}{\Delta t} + O\left[\left(\theta_1 - \frac{1}{2} - \theta_2\right)\Delta t, (\Delta t)_2\right] \quad (4.11)$$

or,

$$\Delta Q^n = \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial(\Delta Q^n)}{\partial t} + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial Q^n}{\partial t} + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} + O\left[\left(\theta_1 - \frac{1}{2} - \theta_2\right)\Delta t, (\Delta t)_2\right] \quad (4.12)$$

where  $\Delta Q^n = Q^{n+1} - Q^n$ .

The parameters  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  determine the type of time differencing scheme used. Some of the methods available with the above formula are given in Table 4.1.

Solving Eq. (4.1) for  $\partial Q/\partial t$  and substituting the results into Eq. (4.12) for  $\partial(\Delta Q^n)/\partial t$  and  $\partial Q^n/\partial t$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta Q^n = & -\frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial(\Delta E^n)}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial(\Delta F^n)}{\partial \eta} \right) - \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E^n}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F^n}{\partial \eta} \right) \\ & + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial(\Delta E_V^n)}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial(\Delta F_V^n)}{\partial \eta} \right) \\ & + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_V^n}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_V^n}{\partial \eta} \right) + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} + O\left[\left(\theta_1 - \frac{1}{2} - \theta_2\right)\Delta t, (\Delta t)_2\right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

### 4.3 Linearization Procedure

Equation (4.13) is nonlinear, since, for example,  $\Delta E^n = E^{n+1} - E^n$  and the unknown  $E^{n+1}$  is a nonlinear function of the dependent variables and the metric coefficients resulting from the generalized grid transformation. The equations are linearized in order to use the finite difference technique. For any nonlinear expression G, a Taylor series expansion about a known time level n can be written as

$$G^{n+1} = G^n + \frac{\partial G^n}{\partial t} \Delta t + O(\Delta t)^2 \quad (4.14)$$

This linearization procedure, when applied to the entire inviscid fluxes  $\Delta E^n$  and  $\Delta F^n$  terms in the Eq. (4.13), can be expressed as

$$\Delta E^n = \left( \frac{\partial E^n}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n + O(\Delta t)^2 \quad (4.15)$$

$$\Delta F^n = \left( \frac{\partial F^n}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n + O(\Delta t)^2 \quad (4.16)$$

$(\partial E / \partial Q)^n$  and  $(\partial F / \partial Q)^n$  are the flux Jacobian matrices.

The viscous fluxes  $\Delta E_v^n$  and  $\Delta F_v^n$  are also linearized, although in a slightly different manner. The mixed, or cross, derivative terms in these fluxes would lead to considerable complications in the implicit numerical solution algorithm. In order to avoid this problem, the fluxes are split directionally as

$$\begin{aligned} E_v &= E_{v_1} + E_{v_2} \\ F_v &= F_{v_1} + F_{v_2} \end{aligned} \quad (4.17)$$

Thus,  $E_{v_1}$  and  $F_{v_1}$  only contain derivatives in the  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  directions, respectively, and  $E_{v_2}$  and  $F_{v_2}$  contain derivatives in the other direction. The linearization for the  $E_{v_1}$  and  $F_{v_1}$  fluxes is carried out in a similar manner as in the inviscid case while the cross derivatives terms are simply lagged as follows (Beam and Warming, 1978)

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E_{v_2}^n &= \Delta E_{v_2}^{n-1} + O(\Delta t)^2 \\ \Delta F_{v_2}^n &= \Delta F_{v_2}^{n-1} + O(\Delta t)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.18)$$

With these equations, the linearized form of Eq. (4.12) can now be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta Q^n + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} & \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n \right] \right\} \\
& - \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n \right] \right\} = \\
& - \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^n + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n \\
& + \frac{(1 + \theta_3) \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n - \frac{\theta_3 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n \\
& + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} + O \left[ \left( \theta_1 - \frac{1}{2} - \theta_2 \right) (\Delta t)^2, (\theta_3 - \theta_1) (\Delta t)^2, (\Delta t)^2 \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{4.19}$$

$\theta_3$  is introduced to replace  $\theta_1$  in the coefficients of the cross derivative viscous terms.  $\theta_3$  is set equal to  $\theta_1$  for second-order time accuracy. For first-order time differencing, however,  $\theta_3$  can be set equal to zero without losing accuracy.

Equation (4.19) can be further put in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\{ I + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right] \right\}^n \Delta Q^n = \\
& - \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^n + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n \\
& + \frac{(1 + \theta_3) \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n - \frac{\theta_3 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n \\
& + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} + O \left[ \left( \theta_1 - \frac{1}{2} - \theta_2 \right) (\Delta t)^2, (\theta_3 - \theta_1) (\Delta t)^2, (\Delta t)^2 \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{4.20}$$

where  $\partial/\partial \xi$  term as an example is meant to imply

$$\left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} \right)^n \right] \Delta Q^n = \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} \right)^n \Delta Q^n \right] \tag{4.21}$$



#### 4.4 Solution Procedure

The governing Eq. (4.20), presented in linearized matrix form result in a system of algebraic equations. The coefficient matrix is banded and the band width depends on the grid size and choice of spatial differencing method. The left hand side requires an inversion of a very large matrix. The exact inversions of the matrix is very costly due to the large number of operations and computer memory required. To reduce this computational expense, an approximate factorization (AF) method is introduced which factors the implicit operator into a sequence of easily invertible matrices. The splitting is based on the alternating direction implicit (ADI) method of Beam and Warming, where splitting is along the spatial directions as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS(4.20)} = & \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \Delta Q^n \\ & - \left( \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \right)^2 \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \Delta Q^n \end{aligned} \quad (4.22)$$

The last term represents the splitting error which can be neglected without affecting the overall time accuracy of the algorithm, even when second-order time differencing is assumed. However, this approximate factorization error may place a restriction on the choice of time step.

Equation (4.20) can thus be rewritten in a spatially-factored form, which, neglecting the temporal truncation and splitting error terms, becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \Delta Q^n = \\ & - \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^n + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n \\ & + \frac{(1 + \theta_3) \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n - \frac{\theta_3 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} \end{aligned} \quad (4.23)$$

The equations in the approximate factorization form presented above are split into the following two-sweep sequence:

Sweep 1 ( $\xi$  direction)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \Delta Q^* = \\ & - \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^n + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n \\ & + \frac{(1 + \theta_3) \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n - \frac{\theta_3 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^n + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} \end{aligned} \quad (4.24)$$

Sweep 2 ( $\eta$  direction)

$$\left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^n \Delta Q^n = \Delta Q^* \quad (4.25)$$

In the above equations,  $Q^*$  represents an intermediate solution to the governing equation. Each sweep requires the solution of a series of 5x5 block-tridiagonal systems and can be efficiently solved using the Thomas algorithm.

## 4.5 Space Differencing

To solve the governing equations, an evenly spaced grid is defined in the computational ( $\xi, \eta$ ) coordinate system. The spatial derivatives in Eqs. (4.24) and (4.25) are then approximated by second-order finite difference formulas. First derivatives in the  $\xi$  direction are, for example, approximated using the following central difference formula:

$$\left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \right)_{ij} \approx \delta_\xi f_{ij} = \frac{f_{i+1j} - f_{i-1j}}{2\Delta\xi} \quad (4.26)$$

The subscripts  $i$  and  $j$  represent grid point indices in the  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  directions, respectively. The non-cross derivative viscous terms and the cross derivative viscous terms in the  $\xi$  direction all have the form  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ f \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (g \Delta Q) \right]_{ij}$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( f \frac{\partial g}{\partial \eta} \right)_{ij}$  respectively. It can be shown that their second-order central difference approximation can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left[ f \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} (g \Delta Q) \right]_{ij} &\approx \delta_{\xi} [f \delta_{\xi} (g \Delta Q)]_{ij} \\ &= \frac{1}{2(\Delta \xi)^2} \left\{ (f_{i-1j} + f_{ij})(g \Delta Q)_{i-1j} - (f_{i-1j} + 2f_{ij} + f_{i+1j})(g \Delta Q)_{ij} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (f_{ij} + f_{i+1j})(g \Delta Q)_{i+1j} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (4.27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( f \frac{\partial g}{\partial \eta} \right)_{ij} &\approx \delta_{\xi} (f \delta_{\eta} g)_{ij} \\ &= \frac{1}{4\Delta \xi \Delta \eta} \left[ f_{i+1j} (g_{i+1j+1} - g_{i+1j-1}) - f_{i-1j} (g_{i-1j+1} - g_{i-1j-1}) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.28)$$

When first derivatives are needed normal to a computational boundary, such as for Neumann boundary conditions, either first- or second-order one-sided differencing is used.

## 4.6 Artificial Viscosity

With the central difference formulation presented above, high frequency instabilities can appear as the solution develops. For example, in high Reynolds number flows oscillations can result from the odd-even decouplings inherent in the use of second-order central differencing. In addition, physical phenomena such as shock waves can cause instabilities when they are captured by a finite difference algorithm. Artificial viscosity, or dissipation, is normally added to the solution algorithm to suppress these high frequency instabilities. Two artificial viscosity models are considered in this study: a constant coefficient model used by Steger (1978), and the nonlinear coefficients model of Jameson, Schmidt and Turkel (1981). The constant coefficient model uses a combination of explicit and implicit artificial viscosity. The explicit artificial viscosity is further a combination of fourth- and

second-order differences. As stated by Caughey (1988), the second-difference terms dissipate spurious waves in the shock region and fourth-difference terms are employed for steady state convergence. The implicit artificial viscosity is sometimes necessary to extend the linear stability bound of the fourth-order explicit dissipation.

The explicit artificial viscosity is implemented in the numerical algorithm by adding the following terms to the source terms in Eq. (4.24):

$$\frac{\varepsilon_e^2 \Delta t}{J} (\nabla_\xi \Delta_\xi Q + \nabla_\eta \Delta_\eta Q) - \frac{\varepsilon_e^4 \Delta t}{J} \left[ (\nabla_\xi \Delta_\xi)^2 Q + (\nabla_\eta \Delta_\eta)^2 Q \right] \quad (4.29)$$

The implicit artificial viscosity is implemented by adding the following terms to the implicit terms of Eqs. (4.24) and (4.25), respectively

$$- \frac{\varepsilon_i \Delta t}{J} [\nabla_\xi \Delta_\xi (J \Delta Q^*)] \quad (4.30a)$$

$$- \frac{\varepsilon_i \Delta t}{J} [\nabla_\eta \Delta_\eta (J \Delta Q^n)] \quad (4.30b)$$

In Eq. (4.29),  $\varepsilon_e^2$  and  $\varepsilon_e^4$  are the second- and fourth-order explicit artificial viscosity coefficients, and in Eq. (4.30),  $\varepsilon_i$  is the implicit artificial viscosity coefficient.

The nonlinear coefficient artificial viscosity model is strictly explicit. Following the approach of Pulliam (1986), the following terms are added to the source term of Eq. (4.24).

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_\xi \left\{ \left[ \left( \frac{\phi}{J} \right)_{i+1} + \left( \frac{\phi}{J} \right)_i \right] (\varepsilon_\xi^2 \Delta_\xi Q - \varepsilon_\xi^4 \Delta_\xi \nabla_\xi \Delta_\xi Q)_i \right\} \\ & + \nabla_\eta \left\{ \left[ \left( \frac{\phi}{J} \right)_{i+1} + \left( \frac{\phi}{J} \right)_i \right] (\varepsilon_\eta^2 \Delta_\eta Q - \varepsilon_\eta^4 \Delta_\eta \nabla_\eta \Delta_\eta Q)_i \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (4.31)$$

where  $\phi$  is define as

$$\phi = \phi_x + \phi_y \quad (4.32)$$

and  $\phi_x$  and  $\phi_y$  are spectral radii defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_x &= \frac{|\xi_x u + \xi_y v| + a \sqrt{\xi_x^2 + \xi_y^2}}{\Delta \xi} \\ \phi_y &= \frac{|\eta_x u + \eta_y v| + a \sqrt{\eta_x^2 + \eta_y^2}}{\Delta \eta}\end{aligned}\tag{4.33}$$

The parameters  $\varepsilon^2$  and  $\varepsilon^4$  are the second- and fourth-order artificial viscosity coefficients. Instead of being specified directly by the user, as they are in the constant coefficient model, in the nonlinear coefficient model they are a function of the pressure field. For coefficients of the  $\xi$  direction differences,

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\varepsilon_\xi^2\right)_i &= \kappa_2 \Delta t \max(\sigma_{i+1}, \sigma_i, \sigma_{i-1}) \\ \left(\varepsilon_\xi^4\right)_i &= \max\left(0, \kappa_4 \Delta t - \left(\varepsilon_\xi^2\right)_i\right)\end{aligned}\tag{4.34}$$

where

$$\sigma_i = \left| \frac{p_{i+1} - 2p_i + p_{i-1}}{p_{i+1} - p_{i-1}} \right| \tag{4.35}$$

Similar formulas are used for the coefficients of the  $\eta$  direction differences.

The parameter  $\sigma$  is a pressure-gradient scaling parameter that increases the amount of second-order smoothing relative to the fourth-order smoothing near shock waves. The logic used to compute  $\varepsilon^4$  serves to switch off the fourth-order smoothing when the second-order smoothing term is large. The parameters  $\kappa_2$  and  $\kappa_4$  are user-specified constants, and the optimum values are problem dependent.

## 4.7 Turbulence Models

The Navier–Stokes equations Eq. (4.1) solved in this study are time-averaged; i.e., they are the Reynolds-averaged Navier–Stokes equations. Therefore, they do not contain enough

information for turbulence to form a closed set of equations. To remedy this problem, the Reynolds stress and turbulent heat flux terms are modeled using the Boussinesq approach. The turbulent Reynolds stress resulting from time averaging is assumed proportional to the laminar stress tensor with the coefficients of proportionality defined as eddy viscosity,  $\mu_t$ . Similarly, the turbulent Reynolds heat flux is assumed to be proportional to the laminar heat flux with the coefficient of proportionality defined as turbulent thermal conductivity,  $k_t$ . An effective viscosity is thus defined as  $\mu = \mu_l + \mu_t$ , and an effective thermal conductivity coefficient is defined as  $k = k_l + k_t$ .  $\mu_l$  is the laminar (or molecular) viscosity coefficient, and  $k_l$  is the molecular thermal conductivity coefficient. These turbulence coefficients are computed in this study using either a generalized version of the Baldwin and Lomax algebraic eddy viscosity model (1978), or the Chien (1982) model. The former is a two-layer algebraic model while the latter is a two-equation  $k - \varepsilon$  model. The Chien formulation for the  $k - \varepsilon$  model is chosen in particular because it is numerically stable and approximates the near wall region reasonably well. A detailed analysis of these two turbulence modelling methods is presented by Towne et al. (1990).

## 4.8 Boundary Conditions

Improper treatment of boundary and initial conditions can lead to serious errors and perhaps instability in the numerical solution. For the above solution algorithm, the boundary conditions are treated implicitly. Several types of boundaries that can be encountered in real problems are adequately provided for. Such boundaries can be real or artificial. Real boundaries include simple solid or porous surfaces and artificial boundaries can be far field boundaries or symmetry planes. Since the equations are solved by marching in time, a set of initial conditions (throughout the flow field) is also required to start the time marching procedure. For unsteady flows, they should represent a real flow field, and a converged steady state solution from a previous run or experimental results may be a good choice. For

steady flows, the ideal initial conditions would represent a real flow field that is close to the expected final solution.

Table 4.1: Different Types of Time–Stepping Methods

$\theta_1$	$\theta_2$	Method	Truncation Error
0	0	Euler explicit	$O(\Delta t)$
0	$-1/2$	Leapfrog explicit	$O(\Delta t)^2$
1	0	Euler implicit	$O(\Delta t)$
$1/2$	0	Tapezoidal implicit	$O(\Delta t)^2$
1	$1/2$	3–point backward implicit	$O(\Delta t)^2$



## Chapter 5

### STEADY MULTIGRID

A multigrid procedure is developed to accelerate the solution of the Beam–Warming ADI numerical scheme formulated in previous chapter. The multigrid algorithm adopted is the Full Approximation Storage Full Multigrid method (FAS–FMG) which is applicable to nonlinear systems of equations. Four problems with different geometries and flow conditions are selected to validate the implementation. In order to ensure that the optimum convergence rate is obtained in each case, the convergence rate are compared with the predicted results from both the bi–grid and smoothing factor.

#### 5.1 Full Approximate Storage Full Multigrid (FAS–FMG)

Consider the problem

$$L^h(U^h) = f^h \quad (5.1)$$

where  $L^h$  is a non–linear operator on a grid,  $g^h$ , with spacing  $h$ . The forcing function,  $f$ , is known and  $U^h$  is the solution to the problem on the grid with spacing  $h$ . Taking  $u^h$  as an approximation to  $U^h$  with an error

$$V^h = U^h - u^h \quad (5.2)$$

Equation (5.1) can be expressed as

$$L^h(u^h + V^h) = f^h \quad (5.3)$$

$L^h u^h$  is subtracted from both sides of Eq. (5.3) to give

$$L^h(u^h + v^h) - L^h(u^h) = f^h - L^h(u^h) \quad (5.4)$$

If the terms are smooth, they can be represented on a coarser grid,  $g^{2h}$  with spacing  $2h$ . The grid  $g^{2h}$  is formed by deleting every other point in  $g^h$ ; therefore,  $g^{2h}$  is a subset of  $g^h$ . Points are eliminated from  $g^{2h}$  to form  $g^{4h}$  and so forth to form  $g^{8h}, g^{16h}$  etc. Each subsequent grid is a subset of the previous grid, which places compatibility constraints on the number of grid points in each direction. On the coarse-grid,  $g^{2h}$ , Eq. (5.4) becomes

$$L^{2h}(I_h^{2h}u^h + v^{2h}) - L^{2h}(I_h^{2h}u^h) = I_h^{2h}(f^h - L^h(u^h)) \quad (5.5)$$

or

$$L^{2h}(U^{2h}) = f^{2h} \quad (5.6)$$

where

$$f^{2h} = I_h^{2h}(f^h - L^h(u^h)) + L^{2h}(I_h^{2h}u^h) \quad (5.7)$$

where  $I_h^{2h}$  is the restriction operator.

Since Eq. (5.6) is on a coarser grid than Eq. (5.1), the numerical solution for  $u^{2h}$  is much less expensive to obtain because fewer points are involved. Note that the operator used on the coarse-grid has the same form as the fine-grid operator, the grid spacing ( $h$  and  $2h$ ) being the only difference. Once the values of  $u^{2h}$  are obtained, the fine-grid iterative solution is updated using the following equation:

$$(u^h)_{New} = (u^h)_{Old} + I_{2h}^h[u^{2h} - I_h^{2h}(u^h)_{Old}] \quad (5.8)$$

and  $I_{2h}^h$  is the prolongation operator.

A grid with spacing  $4h$  can then be used to find corrections to the "solution" of the problem on the grid with spacing  $2h$ . Successively coarser grids may be used until a grid is reached which is so coarse that a direct solution may be used (or a nearly exact solution with only a small number of iteration sweeps). The correction from the coarsest grid is then used to correct the

correction on the next finer grid; and this is continued through successively finer grids until the finest level is reached and the approximate solution is updated.

The usefulness of corrections obtained on a coarser grid is dependent on the smoothness of the fine-grid error passed to the coarse-grid. Hence, it is absolutely necessary that the high-frequency components of the error on the fine-grid be minimized, if not completely eliminated. It is the responsibility of the smoother to damp out the high frequency components of the error. The removal of the low-frequency components of the error is unimportant for all but the coarsest grid since these frequencies can be resolved on the coarser grids where they become high frequencies. If the high frequencies are not damped, then the restriction operator will pass aliased information to the coarser grid and the entire multigrid scheme will cease to converge. Obviously, the choice of the smoother is critical to the proper functioning of multigrid. Some smoothers are naturally effective and some have to be modified. For instance Elmiligui (1992) has developed coefficients for Runge-Kutta multistage time-stepping scheme such that good high frequency damping can be achieved at relatively high CFL numbers. In this work the more accurate analytical tools presented in Chaps. 2 and 3 have provided insight into the effectiveness of the smoother used in this study.

The cycle of work is performed, starting on the finest grid, successively treating the coarser grids, and then returning to the finest grid is called one multigrid cycle. The cycles are repeated until sufficient convergence is obtained on the finest grid. Examples of popular multigrid cycles are given in Appendix D.

The restriction operator has two forms. One form is used to restrict the dependent variables,  $I_h^{2h}(u^h)$ ; i.e., the flow fields quantities  $\rho, \rho u, \rho v$ , and  $\rho e_o$  and the other form is used for the restriction of residuals,  $I_h^{2h}[L^h(u^h)]$ . In this study, the injection method is used in the former and the full weighting technique is used in the latter. The prolongation operation,  $I_{2h}^h$ , used in the current work is a bi-linear interpolation.

With this general discussion of the FAS-FMG algorithm in focus, its application to the formulated ADI scheme becomes clearer.

## 5.2 Multigrid Application in the ADI scheme

Similar to the approach of Yokota (1987) for the LU scheme, the ADI scheme can be written in the operator form:

$$L_1 L_2 \Delta Q = -\Delta t R \quad (5.9)$$

where  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are operators to represent the implicit ADI factors, and  $\Delta Q$ ,  $\Delta t$  and  $R$  are, as usual, flow field corrections, time step and residual. A simple multigrid cycle is performed as follows:

- (1) Solve Eq. (5.9) on the finest grid  $g^h$ , i.e.,

$$L_1^h L_2^h \Delta Q^h = -\Delta t R^h \quad (5.10)$$

- (2) Compute the flow field at the present time step.

$$(Q^{n+1})^h = (Q^n)^h + (\Delta W^n)^h \quad (5.11)$$

- (3) Compute the residual  $R^h$  from the right-hand side of Eq. (4.22),
- (4) Transfer the flow variables  $Q^h$  and residual  $R^h$  to grid  $g^{2h}$  and compute the forcing function  $P^{2h}$  as follows:

$$P^{2h} = I_h^{2h} R^h - R^{2h}(Q^{2h}) \quad (5.12)$$

- (5) Then, the coarse grid  $g^{2h}$  problem, driven by the forcing function, becomes:

$$L_1^{2h} L_2^{2h} \Delta Q^{2h} = -\Delta t (R^{2h}(Q^{2h}) + I_h^{2h} R^h - R^{2h}(I_h^{2h} Q^h)) \quad (5.13)$$

(5) Step (5) is repeated on  $g^{4h}$ ,  $g^{8h}$ , etc. to solve for the corrections, and the cumulative corrections are interpolated to the fine grid and added to the solution, until the finest grid  $g^h$ , for example:

$$Q^{2h} \leftarrow Q^{2h} + I_{4h}^{2h}(Q^{4h} - I_{2h}^{4h} Q^{2h}) \quad (5.14)$$

$$Q^h \leftarrow Q^h + I_{2h}^h(Q^{2h} - I_h^{2h} Q^h) \quad (5.15)$$

The above steps are repeated on the fine grid  $R^h = 0$  since we are interested only in steady state solutions. Depending on the schedule for the grids in the order in which they are visited, the multigrid structure may take the form of a simple V–Cycle or a more complicated one like the Full multigrid V–Cycle. See Appendix D for some samples.

### 5.3 Test Problems

Various test cases shown in Table 5.1 were investigated to validate the implementation of the above algorithm:

The geometry for the various cases are shown in Fig. 5.1. The first two test cases are both the steady Euler and viscous flow past a two–dimensional circular cylinder. The inviscid and the viscous solutions were obtained at different reference Mach number ranging from 0.05 to 0.6. A reference Reynolds number of 20 is assumed for the viscous case. For the Euler flow, freestream conditions are prescribed at the far field and are further used to start the computation. The Exact potential flow solution was used to start the viscous flow computations. The next two test cases are turbulent flow over a flat plate at zero pressure gradient with a freestream Mach number of 0.3. The Baldwin–Lomax turbulence model was used in the first case while the Chien  $k - \varepsilon$  model was used in the second case.

Table 5.1: Description of Test Cases

Test Case	Flow Problem		Coarse grid	Fine grid
1	Inviscid	Cylinder	25X49	49X97
2	Viscous		49X49	49X97
3	Baldwin	Flat Plate	81X53	161X105
4	Chien		81X53	161X105
5	Non-Linear	Transonic	81X51	–
6	Constant		81X51	–

The solution of the Blasius equation for a laminar boundary layer over a flat plate was used to set the initial conditions for the Baldwin–Lomax computation. To start the Chien case, the converged solutions from Baldwin–Lomax case was used to compute the turbulent quantities required to march the  $k - \varepsilon$  equations. The last test case is a transonic turbulent flow in a converging–diverging duct. The flow entered the duct subsonically, accelerated through the throat to supersonic speed, then decelerated through a normal shock and exited the duct subsonically. This is a popular laboratory test case which can mimic real inlet flow; e.g., see Sajben et. al. (1984). The geometry is obtained from the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \begin{aligned} &1.4144 && \text{for } -4.04 \leq x \leq -2.598 \\ &\alpha \cosh \xi / (\alpha - 1 + \cosh \xi) && \text{for } -2.598 < x < 7.216 \\ &1.5 && \text{for } 7.216 \leq x \leq 8.65 \end{aligned} \quad (5.16)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the parameter  $\xi$  is defined as

$$\xi = \frac{C_1(x/x_t)[1 + C_2x/x_t]^{C_3}}{(1 - x/x_t)^{C_4}} \quad (5.17)$$

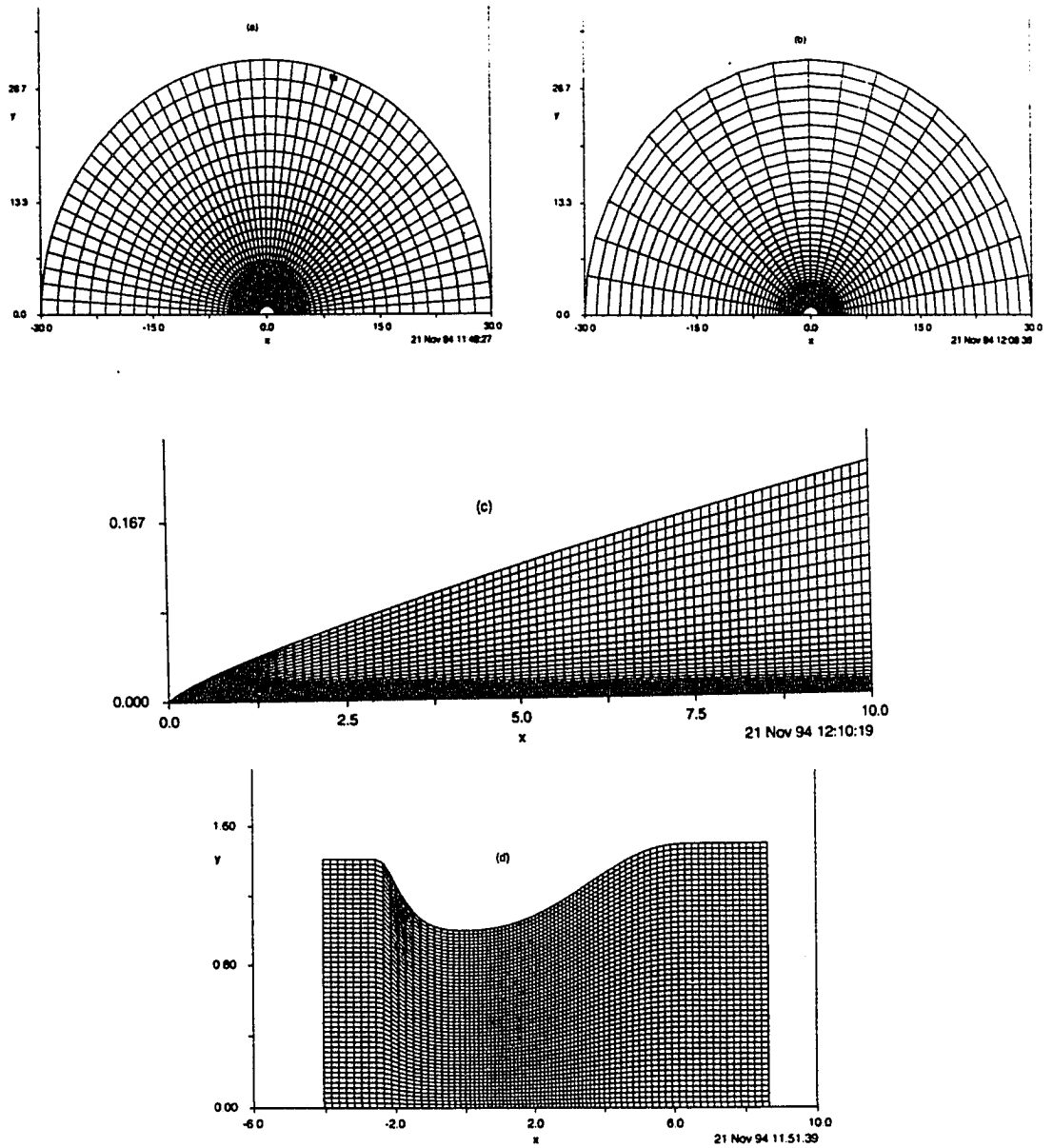
The various constants used in the formula for the top wall height in the converging  $-2.598 \leq x \leq 0$  and diverging ( $0 \leq x \leq 7.216$ ) parts of the duct are given in Table 5.2.

In all cases, appropriate boundary conditions were set so as not to impair the convergence acceleration. The steady–state solutions of the various test cases described above are shown in Fig. 5.2.

Table 5.2: Constants for Computational Coordinates calculations

<i>Constant</i>	<i>Converging</i>	<i>Diverging</i>
$\alpha$	1 . 4114	1 . 500
$x_l$	− 2 . 5985	7 . 216
$C_1$	0 . 8100	2 . 250
$C_2$	1 . 0000	0 . 000
$C_3$	0 . 5000	0 . 000
$C_4$	0 . 6000	0 . 600





**Fig. 5.1: Computational mesh for the test cases (a) Viscous flow around a cylinder (b) Euler flow around a cylinder (c) turbulent flow over a flat plate (d) Sajben transonic flow.**

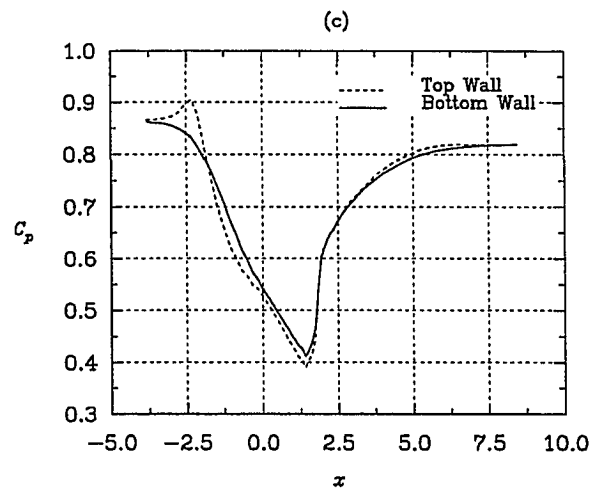
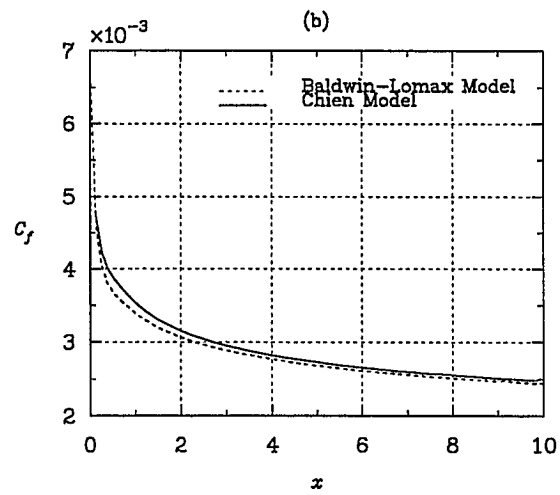
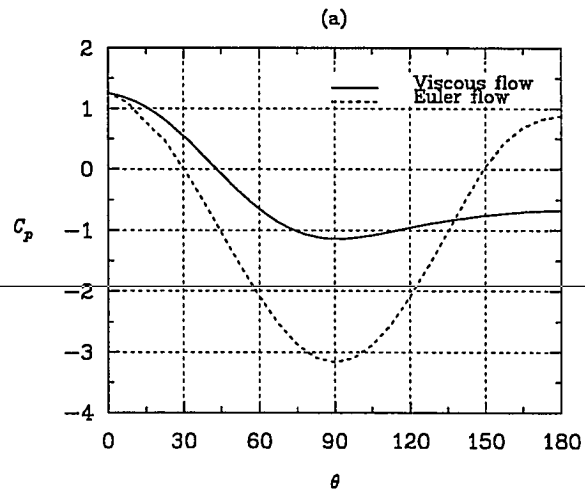


Fig. 5.2: Steady solutions for test cases (a)–(b)  $C_p$  for Euler and viscous flow past a cylinder (c)  $C_f$  for turbulent flow over a flat plate (d)  $C_p$  for Sajben transonic case.

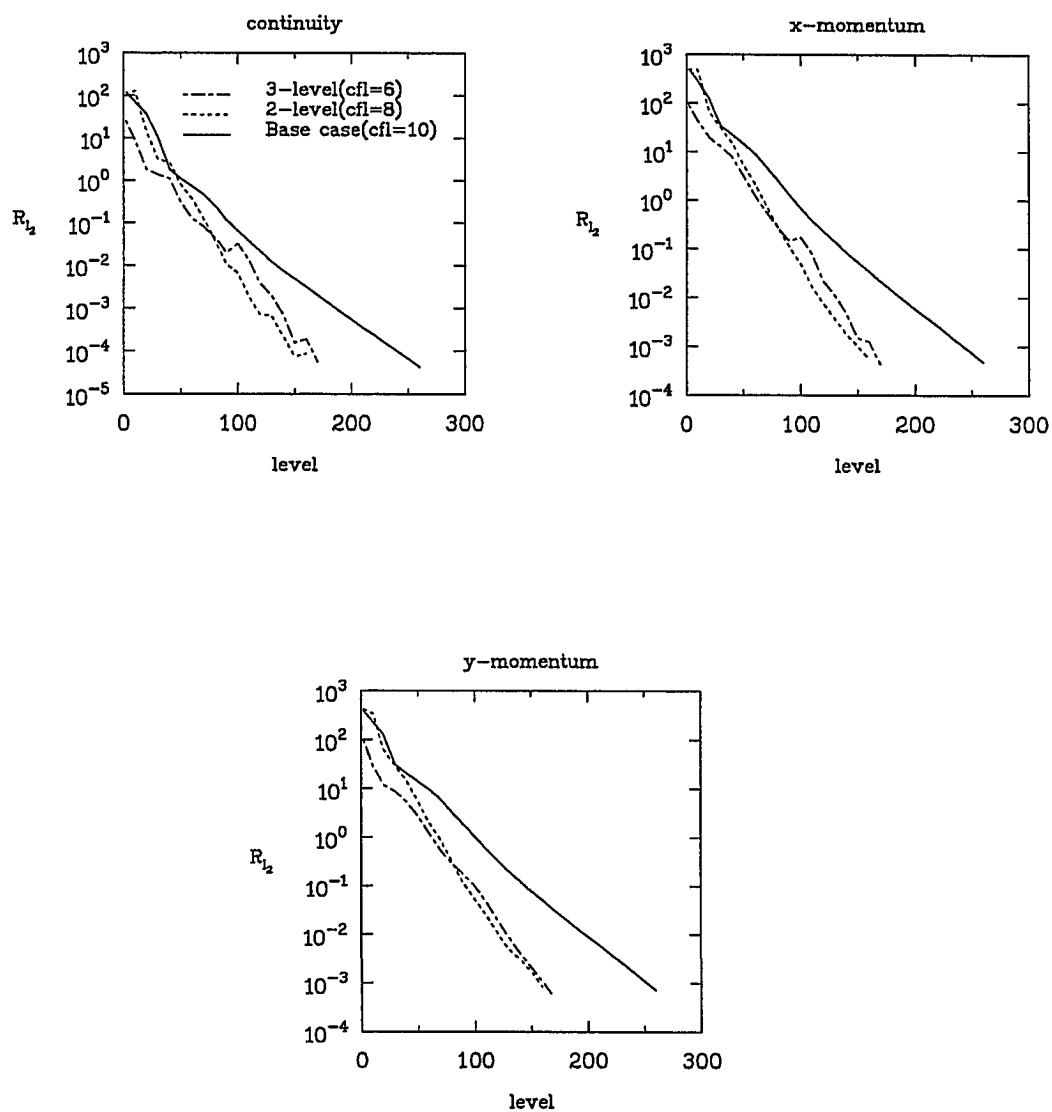


Fig. 5.3:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for Euler flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.2$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 25X49 coarse case grid

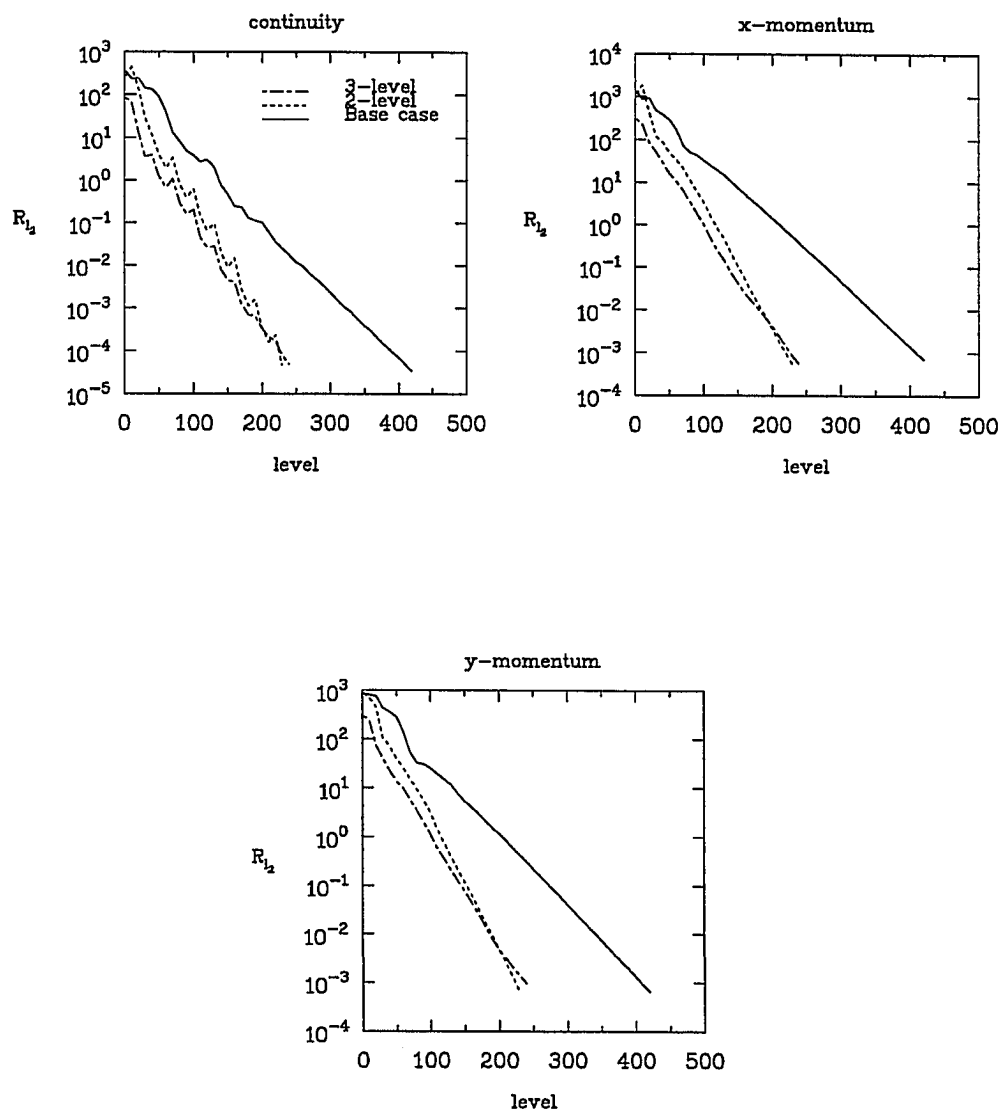


Fig. 5.4:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for Euler flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.2$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 49X97 fine grid.

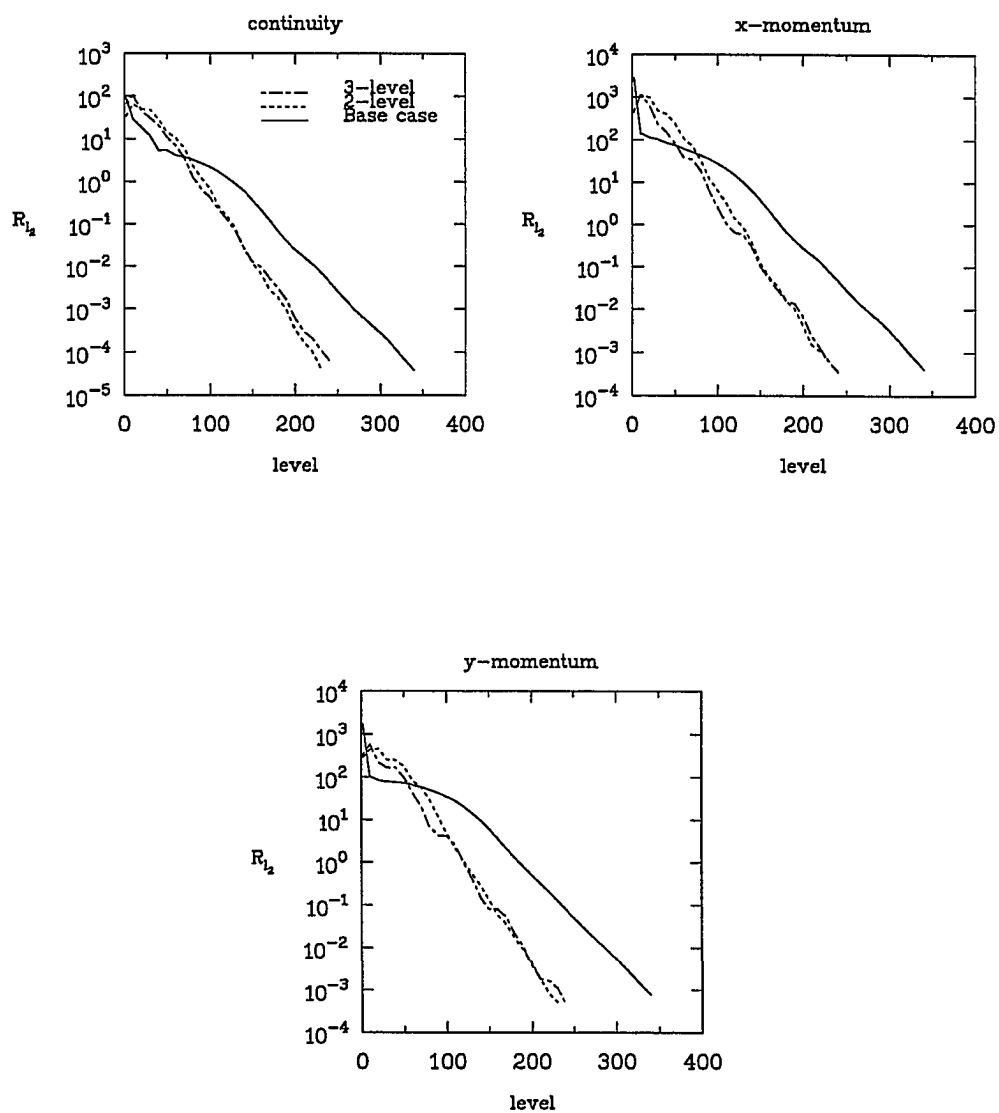


Fig. 5.5:  $R_2$  Convergence History for viscous flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.2$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 49X49 coarse case grid.

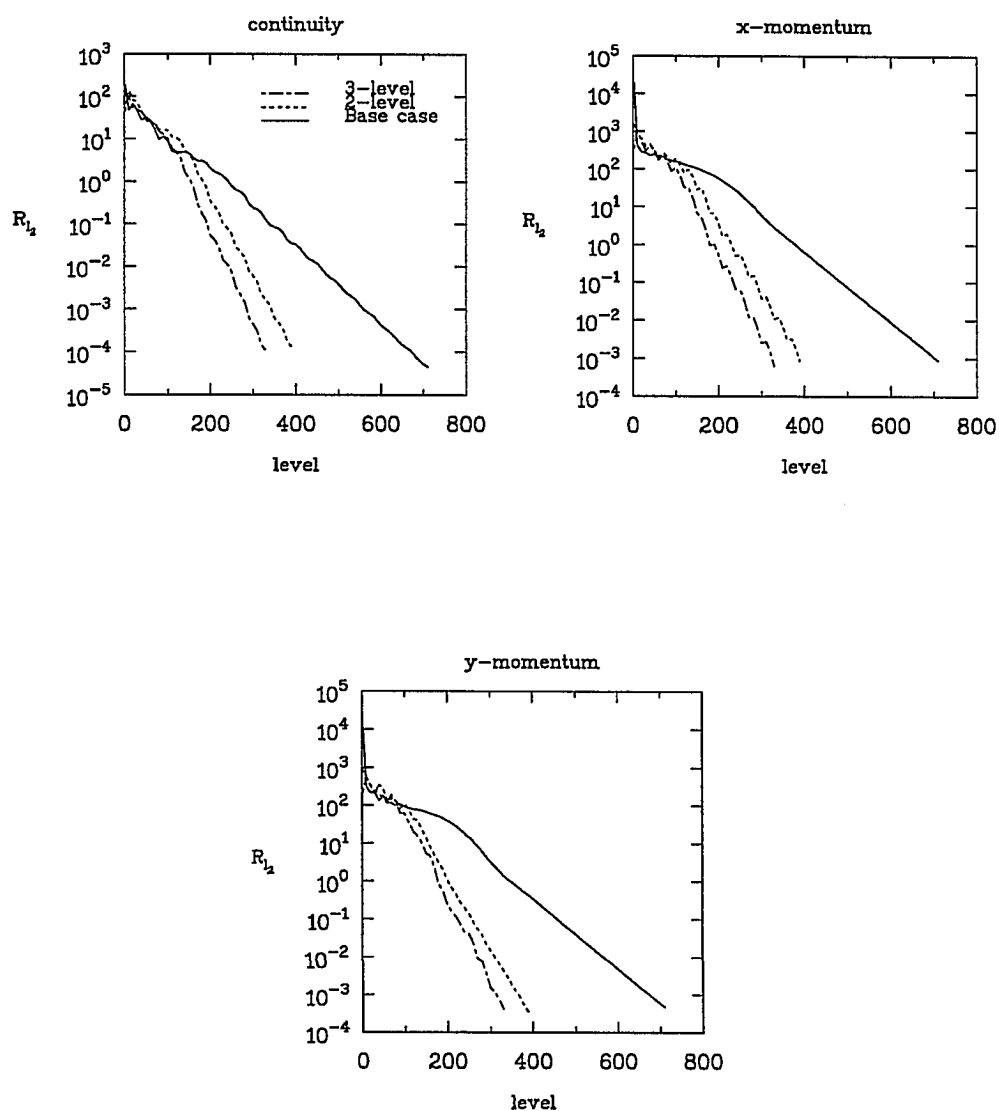


Fig. 5.6:  $R_2$  Convergence History for viscous flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.2$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 97X97 fine grid.

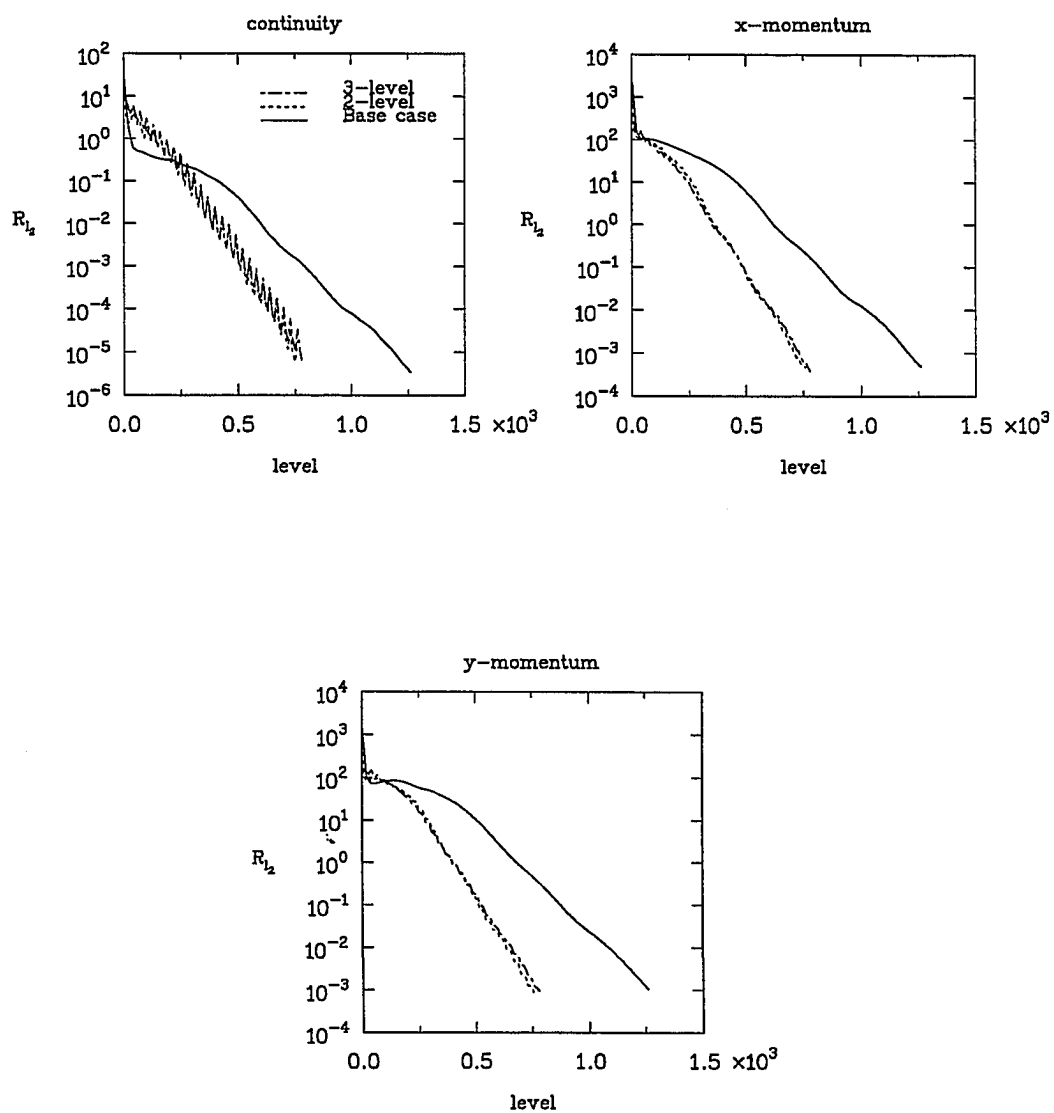


Fig. 5.7:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for viscous flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.05$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 49X49 coarse case grid.

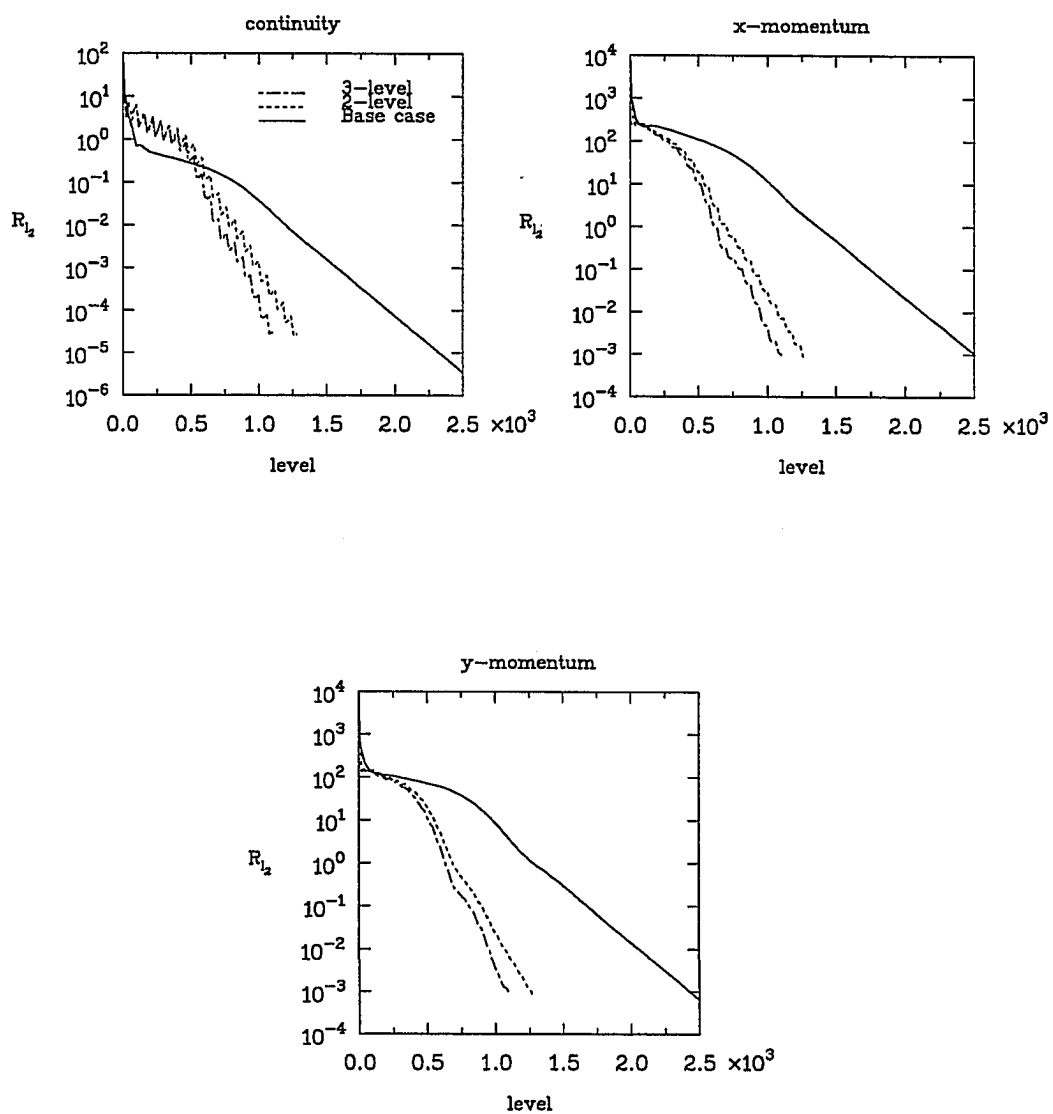


Fig. 5.8:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for viscous flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.05$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 97X97 fine grid.



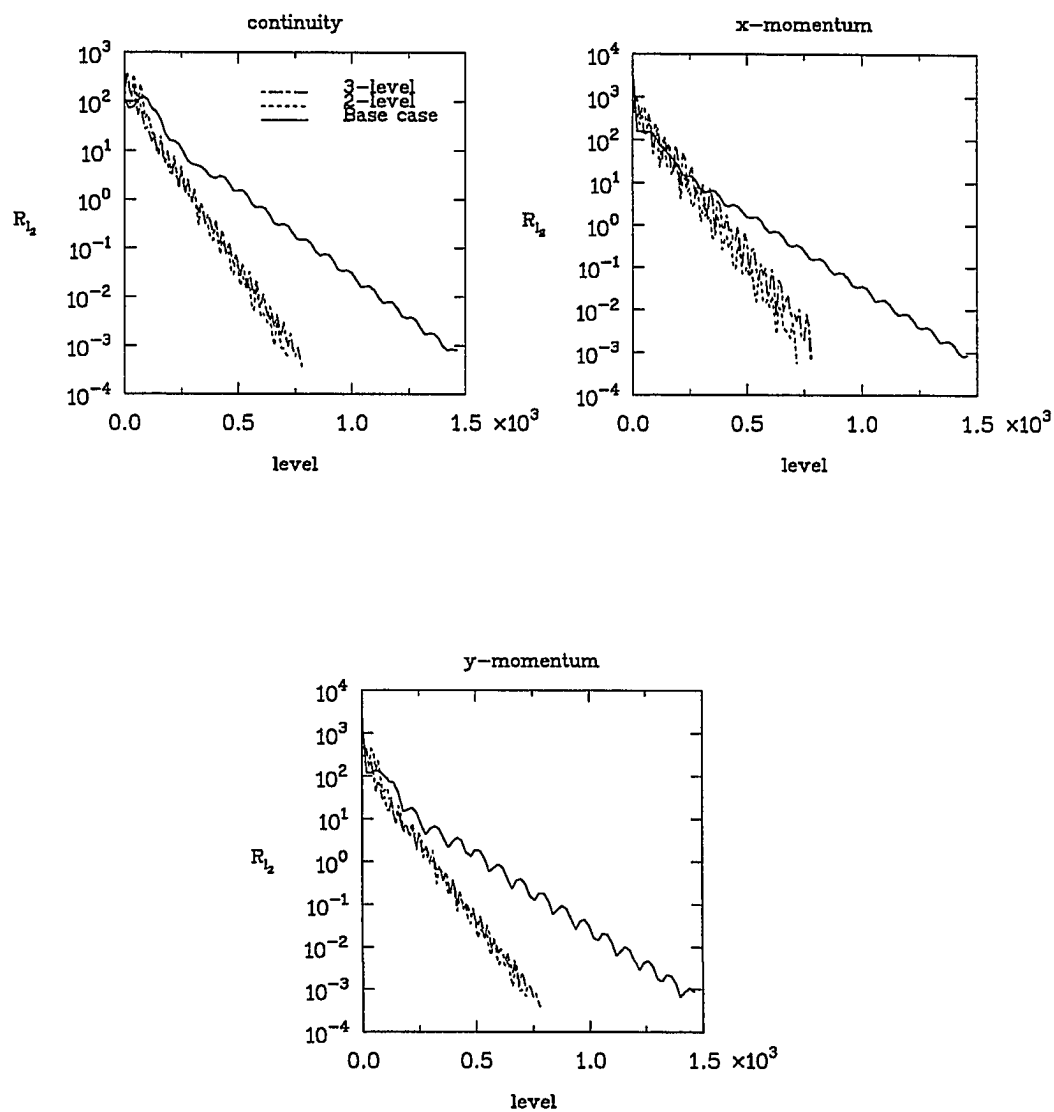


Fig. 5.9:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for viscous flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.6$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 49X49 coarse case grid.

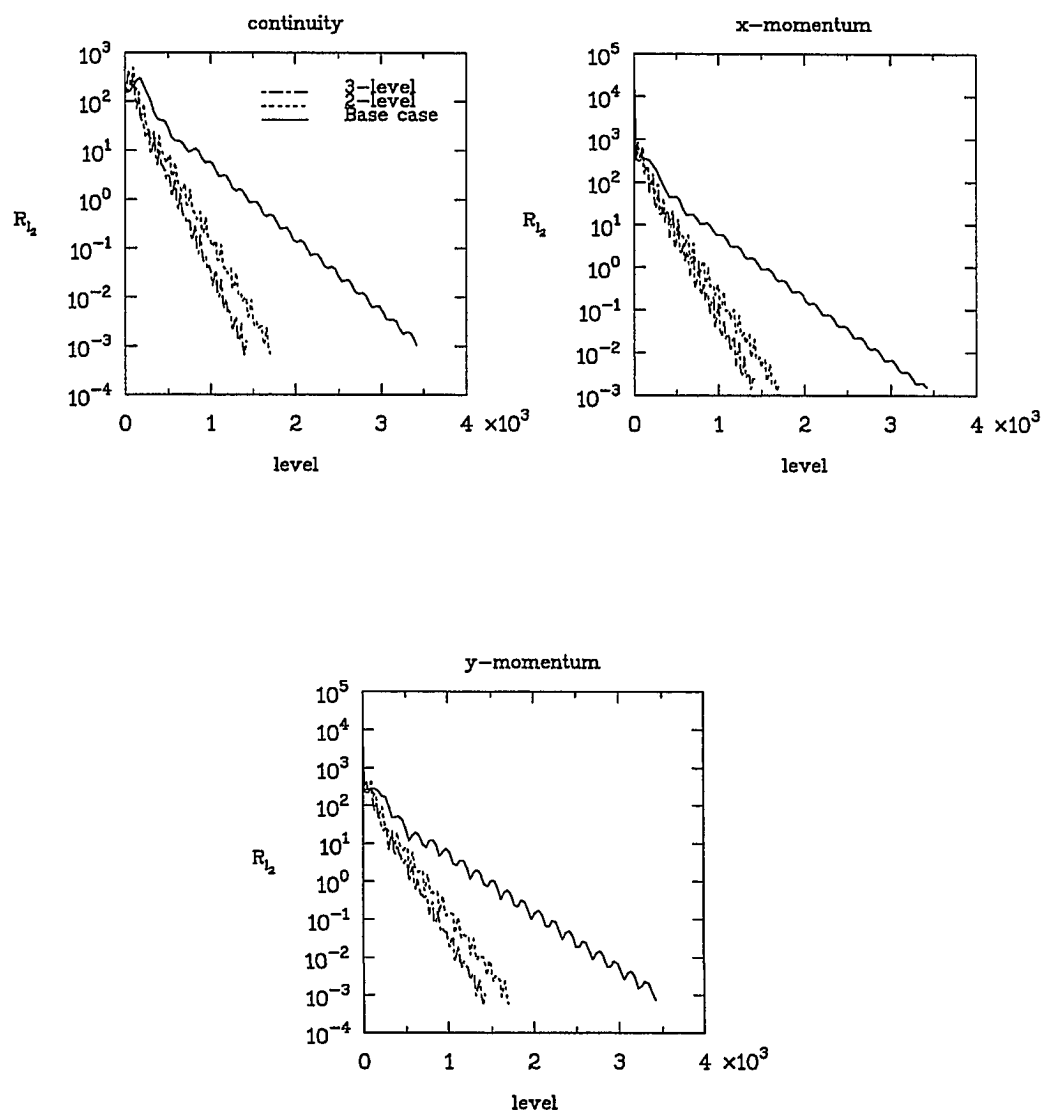


Fig. 5.10:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for viscous flow past a circular cylinder at  $M_\infty = 0.6$  and  $CFL = 10$ ; 97X97 fine grid.

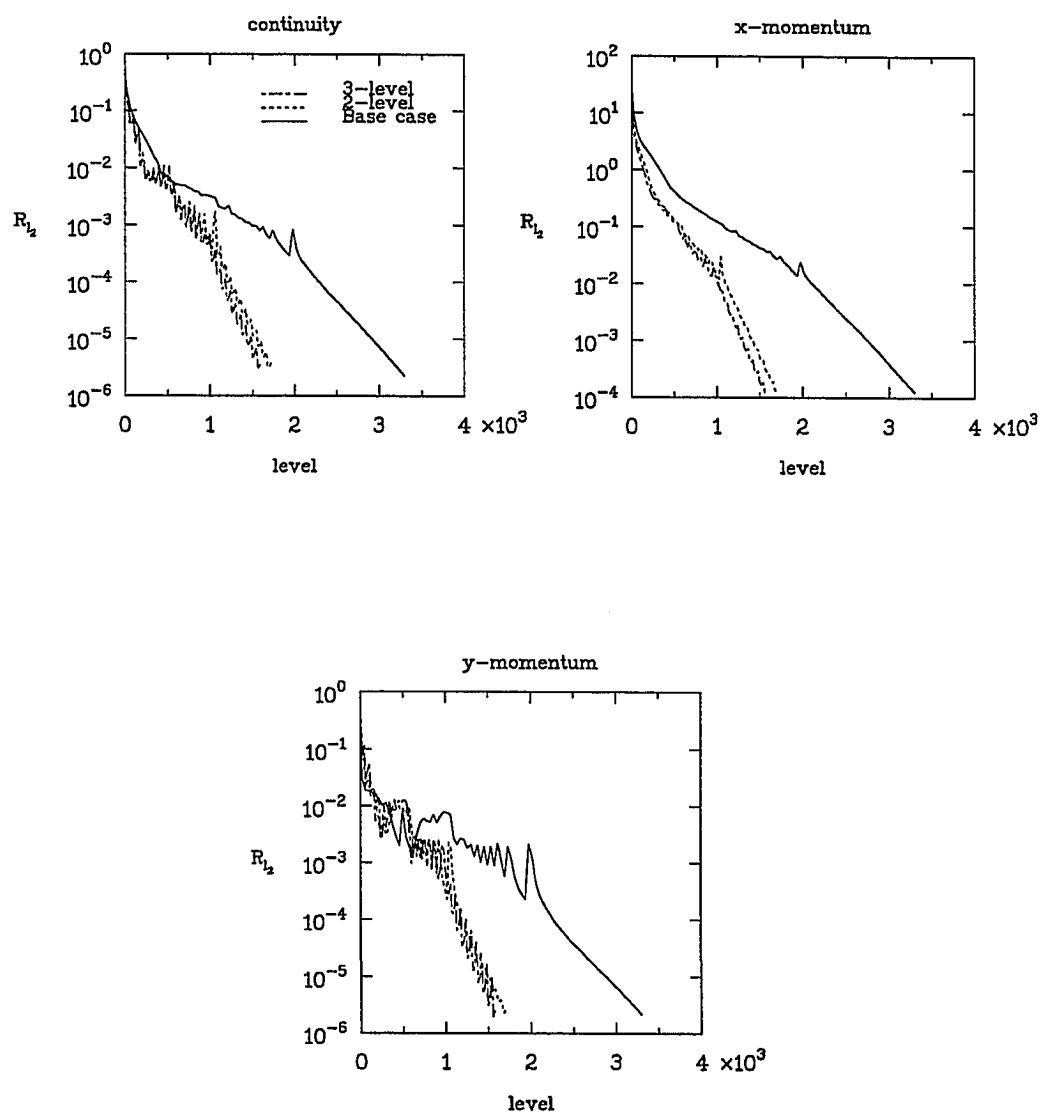


Fig. 5.11:  $R_{12}$  Convergence History for flat plate turbulent flow with Baldwin-Lomax model and CFL = 20; 81X53 coarse case grid.

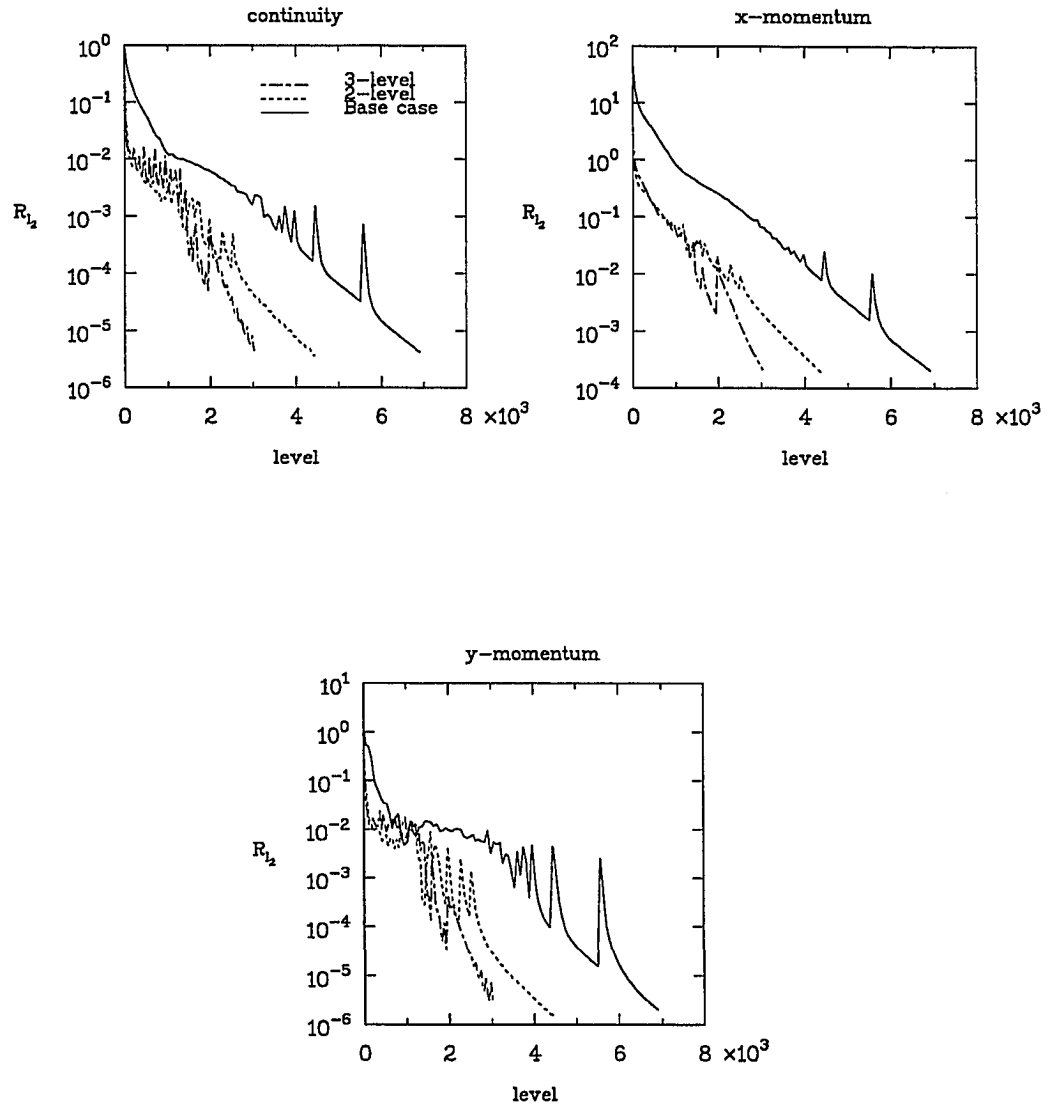


Fig. 5.12:  $R_{1/2}$  Convergence History for flat plate turbulent flow with Baldwin-Lomax model and  $CFL = 20$ ;  $161 \times 105$  fine grid.

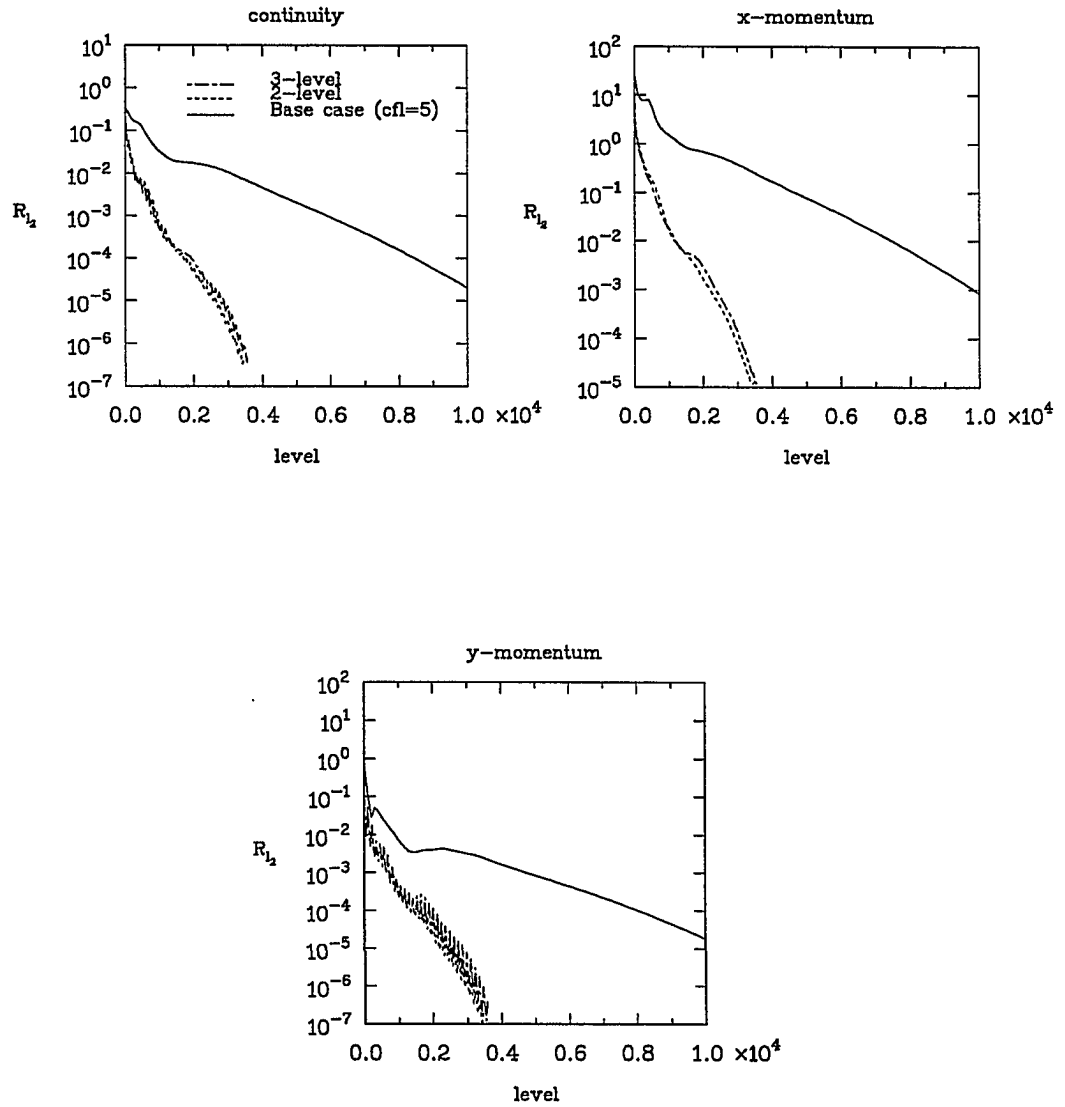


Fig. 5.13:  $R_{1/2}$  Convergence History for flat plate turbulent flow with Chien  $k-\epsilon$  model and CFL = 20; 81X53 coarse case grid.

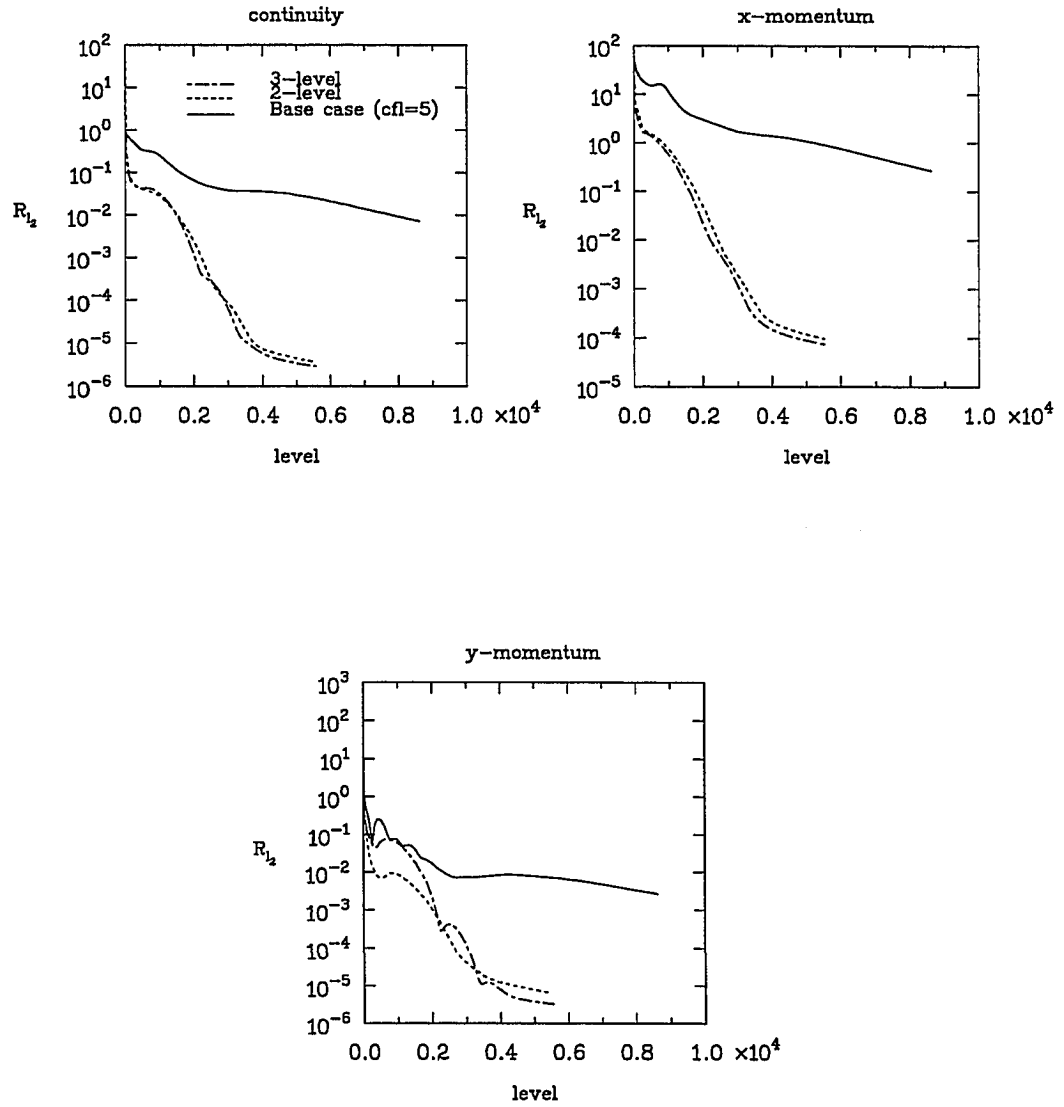


Fig. 5.14:  $R_{1/2}$  Convergence History for flat plate turbulent flow with Chien k- $\epsilon$  model and CFL = 20; 161X105 fine grid.

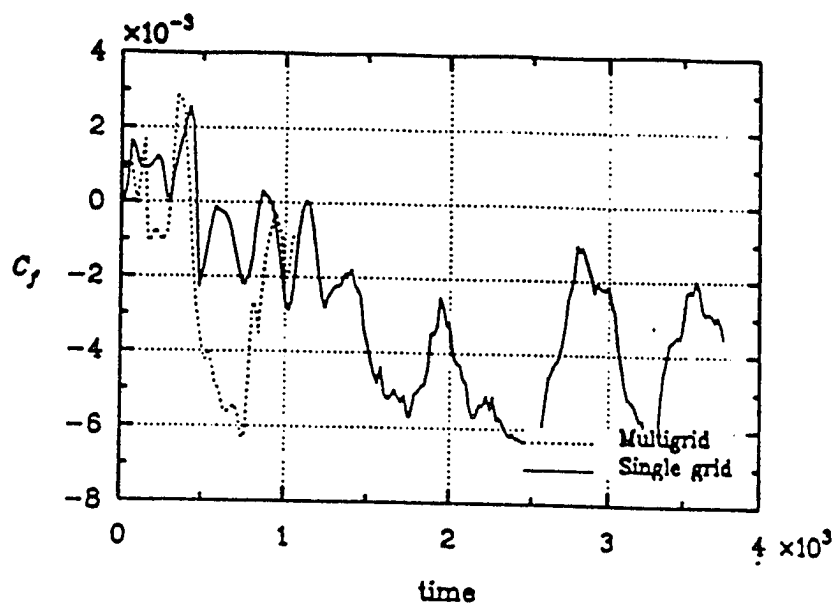


Fig. 5.15: Trace of skin friction coefficients for Sajben Transonic flow; midway on lower wall

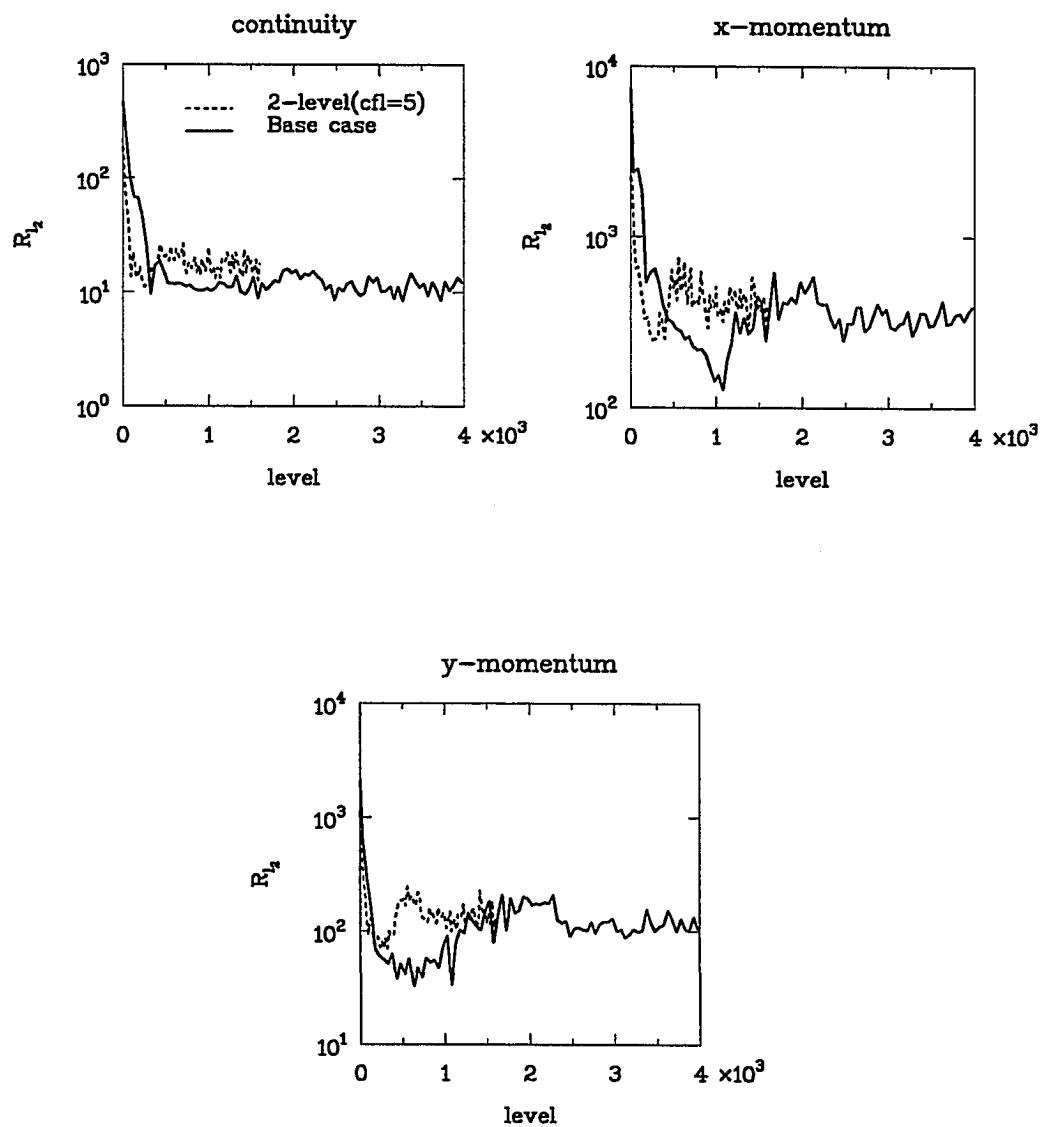


Fig. 5.16:  $R_{1/2}$  Convergence History for Sajben Transonic case non-linear dissipation and CFL = 5; 81X51 coarse case grid.



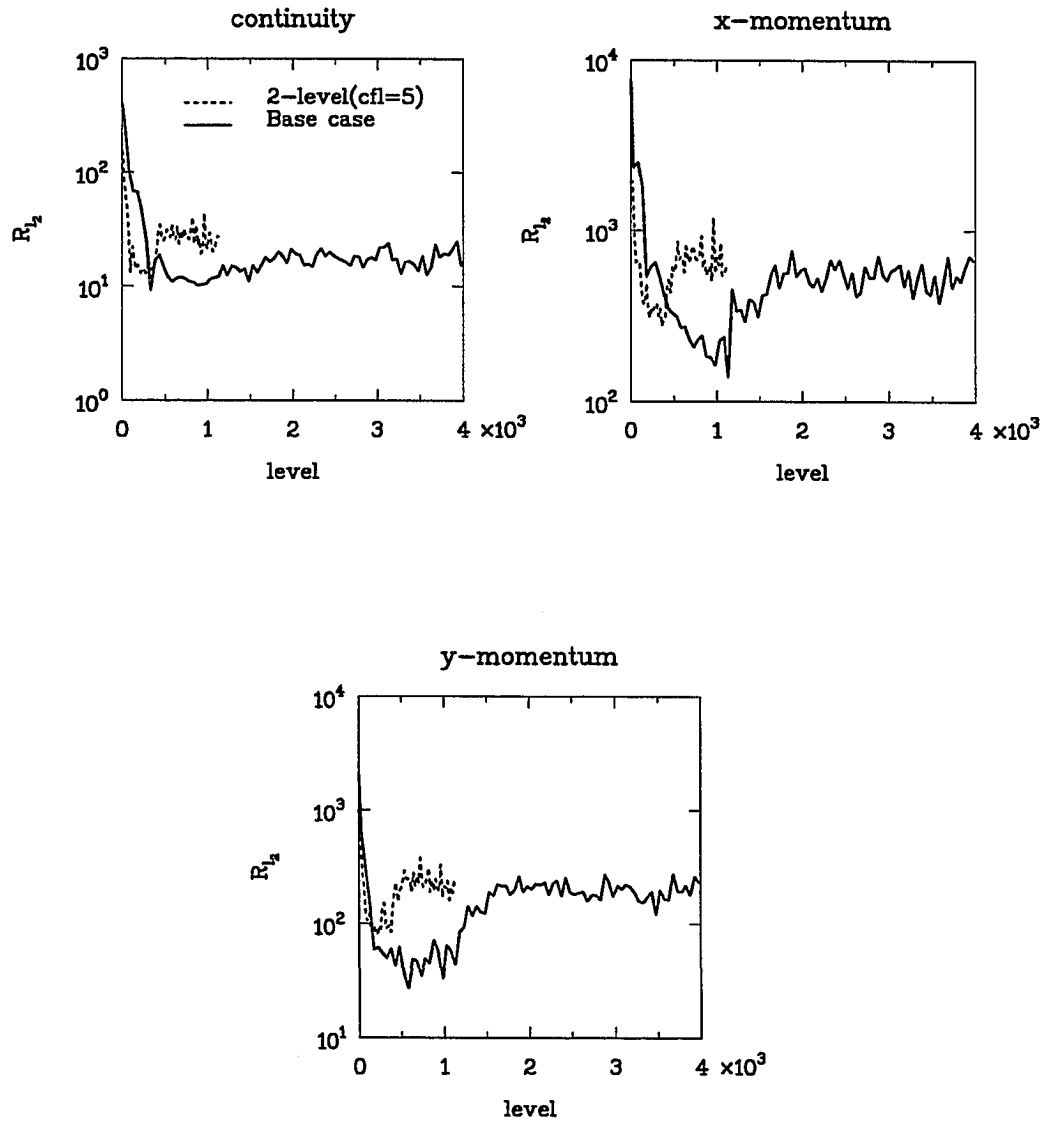


Fig. 5.17:  $R_{1/2}$  Convergence History for Sajben Transonic case with constant dissipation and CFL = 5; 81X51 coarse case grid.

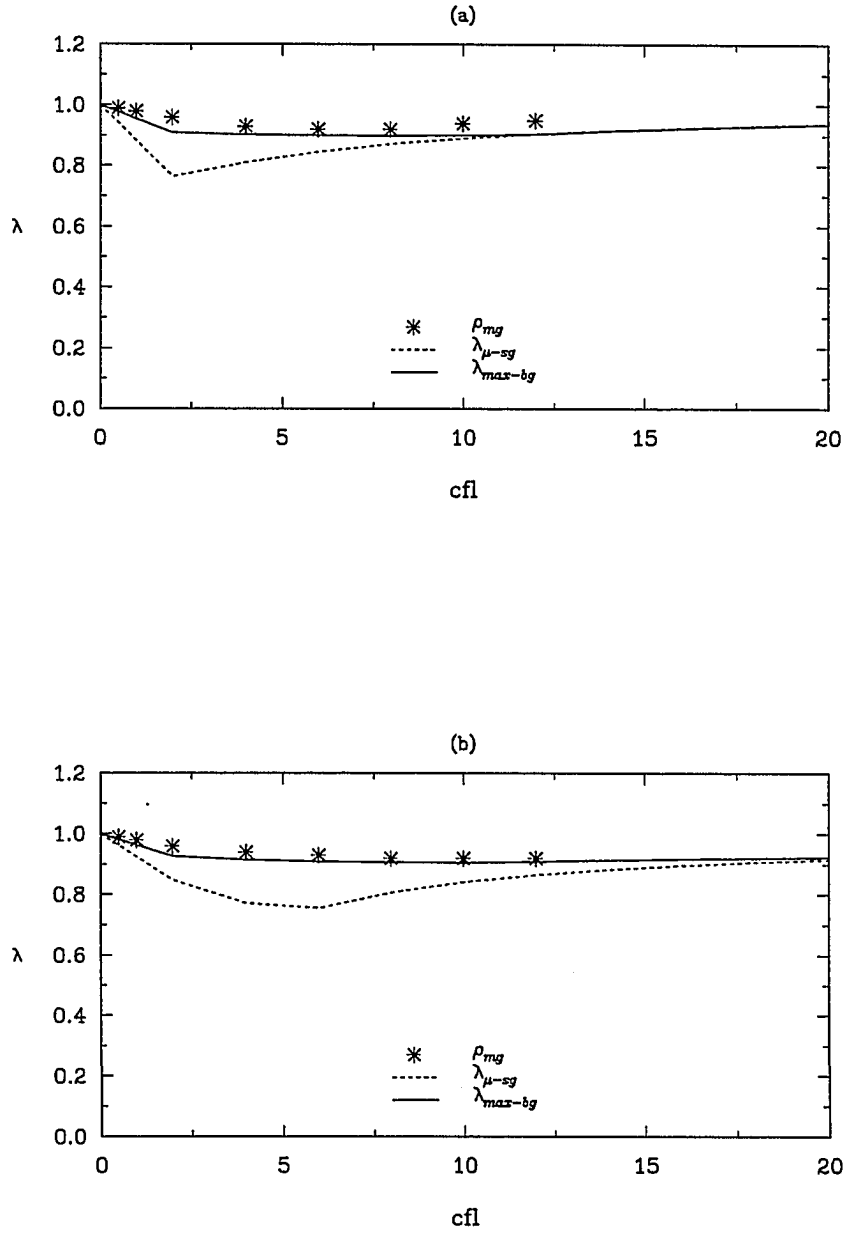


Fig. 5.18: 2-D Euler and Navier-Stokes flows around a circular cylinder using ADI central schemes (a) Inviscid Flow (b) Viscous Flow ( $Re=100$ ,  $\epsilon_g=0.5$ ,  $\epsilon_i=1$ ,  $\nu^1=1$ ;  $\nu^2=0$ )

## 5.4 Multigrid Performance

In order to evaluate the multigrid performance implemented in this study, the  $l_2$  norm of the residual for the continuity and momentum equations are plotted against the number of iterations. For each of the coarse grids and the fine grid, three calculations are performed; single grid, two-level multigrid (MG) and 3-level MG. Figs. 5.3 and 5.4 show the result of the Euler flow at  $M_\infty = 0.2$  where MG reduced the number of iterations by a factor of about two. However, only a marginal gain is observed in the CPU saving (about 2%). The additional work unit required in this case by MG cycles offset the gain in convergence. Viscous flow results are shown in Figs. 5.5–5.10 for different freestream Mach numbers. At  $M_\infty = 0.2$ , similar conclusions drawn for the Euler above are observed. At  $M_\infty = 0.05$  and  $M_\infty = 0.6$ , however, faster convergence and substantial savings in CPU time are obtained especially on the fine grid. For instance, at  $M_\infty = 0.6$ , three-level MG at a CFL number of four reduced the number of iterations by a factor of about five on the fine grid, at a measured savings of about 62% of the CPU time. In this case also, multigrid successfully relaxes the stiffness per time-step since the single grid computation failed if the CFL number is greater than two, while the MG can go up to four.

The influence of turbulence models on the performance of multigrid is studied in cases three and four. Figs. 5.11–5.12 show the convergence history of the three calculations mentioned above for turbulent flow over a flat plate using the Baldwin–Lomax model to compute the turbulence quantities. Convergence is accelerated by more than a factor of two both for the coarse grid and fine grid. The measured saving in CPU time in this case is about 20% for the fine grid and only about 10% for the coarse grid. The superiority of MG is finally demonstrated in Figs. 5.13–5.14 where the Chien  $k - \varepsilon$  model was used for turbulence closure. In fact the single grid failed to converge even after a very large number of iterations (10,000 for the coarse grid and about 9,000 for the fine grid), whereas the MG converged in about 4,000 cycles. Further, the single grid computation was limited to a CFL number below

five, while the MG was successful up to a CFL number of 20. Although MG acceleration is clearly demonstrated in each of the models, it performed much better with the Chien model. The additional stiffness in the latter introduced by solving the  $k - \varepsilon$  equations is by far offset by its better predictions of the Reynolds stresses.

From Fig. 5.15, the trace of the skin friction at a point in the flow domain shows that the Sajben transonic flow is inherently unsteady. This is further confirmed in Figs. 5.16–5.17 where the convergence history oscillates for both the single grid and two-level MG calculations. In Fig. 5.16, the Jameson type of non-linear dissipation has been used whereas in Fig. 5.17, constant dissipation was assumed. Similar results (not shown) were observed on the finer grid. This inherent unsteadiness has also been observed from experiment by Sajben (1984) and therefore cannot be solved with the multigrid technique developed here. Multigrid solution of unsteady problems is addressed in the next chapter.

## 5.5 Convergence Rates

In the above computations, the results of both the single grid analysis and the bi-grid analysis are continuously used as guidelines. For instance, the asymptotic convergence rates (using Eq. (3.28)) that are computed from practical multigrid solutions of the test cases for the inviscid and viscous flows past a circular cylinder are compared with the predictions from analysis in Fig. 5.18. Rather than evaluating the corresponding bi-grid and smoothing factors from uniform flow conditions, however, as performed in the analysis presented in Chaps. 2 and 3, they are computed at each point in the flow field, thereby accounting for the variation in flow properties. Figures 5.18(a) and 5.18(b) show estimates from both analyses based on the computed frozen coefficients of the inviscid and viscous flows, respectively. These results are also summarized in Table 5.3, and are compared with the asymptotic convergence rate measured from the practical multigrid computations. For both flow problems, the smoothing factor deviates more from the practical solution than does the bi-grid factor.

## 5.6 Concluding Remarks

It has been shown that improvements in convergence rates and savings in CPU time can be achieved from the developed multigrid technique for steady state computations. For inherently unsteady problems, the above multigrid technique is modified in the next chapter. In Chap. 3, it was shown that the bi-grid analysis agrees more with the practical multigrid asymptotic convergence rate than the smoothing factor using some model scalar equations and the 3-D Euler equations. In this chapter, its superiority has been further confirmed for the coupled Euler and Navier–Stokes equations.

Table 5.3: Convergence Characteristics of 2-D Euler and Viscous Flows around a Cylinder

CFL	Euler			Viscous flow		
	$\lambda_{\mu_{sg}}$	$\lambda_{\max_{bg}}$	$Q_{mg}$	$\lambda_{\mu_{sg}}$	$\lambda_{\max_{bg}}$	$Q_{mg}$
0.5	0.88	0.94	0.99	0.95	0.96	0.99
1.0	0.80	0.92	0.98	0.91	0.94	0.98
2.0	0.76	0.91	0.96	0.85	0.93	0.96
4.0	0.81	0.90	0.93	0.77	0.92	0.94
6.0	0.84	0.90	0.92	0.76	0.91	0.93
8.0	0.87	0.90	0.92	0.81	0.91	0.92
10.0	0.89	0.90	0.94	0.84	0.91	0.92
12.0	0.91	0.90	0.95	0.87	0.91	0.92

## Chapter 6

### UNSTEADY MULTIGRID

The multigrid method formulated in the previous chapter to accelerate steady state problems is extended to time-accurate unsteady flow calculations. An unsteady multigrid algorithm is formulated for the Navier–Stokes equations. To demonstrate the capability of this algorithm, numerical experiments are performed on Stokes second problem of an impulsively started flat plate. This has an exact solution and is, therefore, a good candidate for validation.

#### 6.1 Generic Unsteady Equations

Consider a system of generic unsteady equations

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + LQ = S \quad (6.1)$$

If this equation is re-written as:

$$R^* = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} + LQ - S = 0 \quad (6.2)$$

Then the unsteady problem described by Eq. (6.1) is transformed into a non-linear steady problem  $(R^*)^{n+1} = 0$ , between any time  $t_1$  with known solution  $Q^n$  and time  $t_2$  with the solution  $Q^{n+1}$  to be computed. Since this can be considered a quasi-steady state problem, the Newton method can be used to solve for solution  $Q^{n+1}$  iteratively as follows (Fletcher, 1991):

$$\left(\frac{\partial R^*}{\partial Q}\right)^p \Delta Q^p = - (R^*)^p \quad (6.3)$$

where  $\frac{\partial R^*}{\partial Q}$  is the Jacobian and  $Q^{n+1} = Q^{p+1}$  as  $p \rightarrow \infty$ .

Although Eq. (6.3) possesses quadratic convergence property, the initial guess has to be sufficiently close to the converged solution or else the solution diverges. Also, the solution of Eq. (6.3) demands that the true Jacobian be used and this, of course, might demand excessive computation. To alleviate this problem, and thus, make it applicable to problems with any initial solution and/or to the approximate factorization problems, an under-relaxation in form of a pseudo-time step  $\Delta\tau$  is employed as follows:

$$\left(\frac{I}{\Delta\tau} + \frac{\partial R^*}{\partial Q}\right)^p \Delta Q^p = - (R^*)^p \quad (6.4)$$

or,

$$\left(I + \Delta\tau \frac{\partial R^*}{\partial Q}\right)^p \Delta Q^p = - \Delta\tau (R^*)^p \quad (6.5)$$

Equations (6.4) or (6.5) is the augmented form of Newton's method and is often referred to as the pseudotransient method. Notice that as  $\Delta\tau \rightarrow \infty$ , Eq. (6.4) or (6.5) becomes Eq. (6.3). With this strategy, the unsteady problem is converted into a series of steady state problems; i.e., between the physical time  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ , the steady state problem given by Eq. (6.5) is solved by marching in a pseudo-time  $\tau$  to obtain the time-dependent solution at  $t_2$  (see appendix E).

$(R^*)^p$  accounts for the physical unsteadiness. Time accuracy is, therefore, controlled by the choice of time discretization employed for the unsteady term. If, for instance, the Euler implicit time integration is assumed in the physical time, then

$$(R^*)^p = \frac{Q^p - Q^n}{\Delta t} + LQ^p - S(Q^p) \quad (6.6)$$



## 6.2 Navier–Stokes Equations

In the vector equations, Eq. (4.23), the linearization and approximate factorization errors are still retained. Solution of these equations will also reproduce the time accurate solution for an unsteady problem especially if the physical time step is smaller than the time step required for accuracy. However, due to these errors, the time step may become very small where a large spatial variation of mesh size exists, thus making the overall algorithm inefficient. In order to permit larger time steps, an alternative approach is to devise an iterative technique between time steps to drive these errors to zero. With such an approach enumerated in Sec. 6.1 above, Eq. (4.23) can be re-written as

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta \tau}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta \tau}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \Delta Q^p = \\ & - \Delta \tau \Phi(t) - \frac{\Delta \tau}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \frac{\Delta \tau}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p \\ & + \frac{(1 + \theta_3) \Delta \tau}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p - \frac{\theta_3 \Delta \tau}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)} \end{aligned} \quad (6.7)$$

Function  $\Phi(t)$  in the above equation represent a form of time discretization depending on the choice of  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  and  $\theta_3$ . For example, for the Euler implicit method where  $\theta_1 = 1, \theta_2 = 0$  and  $\theta_3 = 0$ ,  $\Phi(t) = \left( \frac{Q^p - Q^n}{\Delta t} \right)$ , and for the 3-point backward implicit method which gives second-order accuracy, and where  $\theta_1 = 1, \theta_2 = 1/2$  and  $\theta_3 = \theta_1 = 1$ ,  $\Phi(t) = \left( \frac{3Q^p - 4Q^n + Q^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} \right)$ . Thus, for these examples, the mathematical formulation for Euler implicit and 3-point backward implicit methods, respectively, becomes

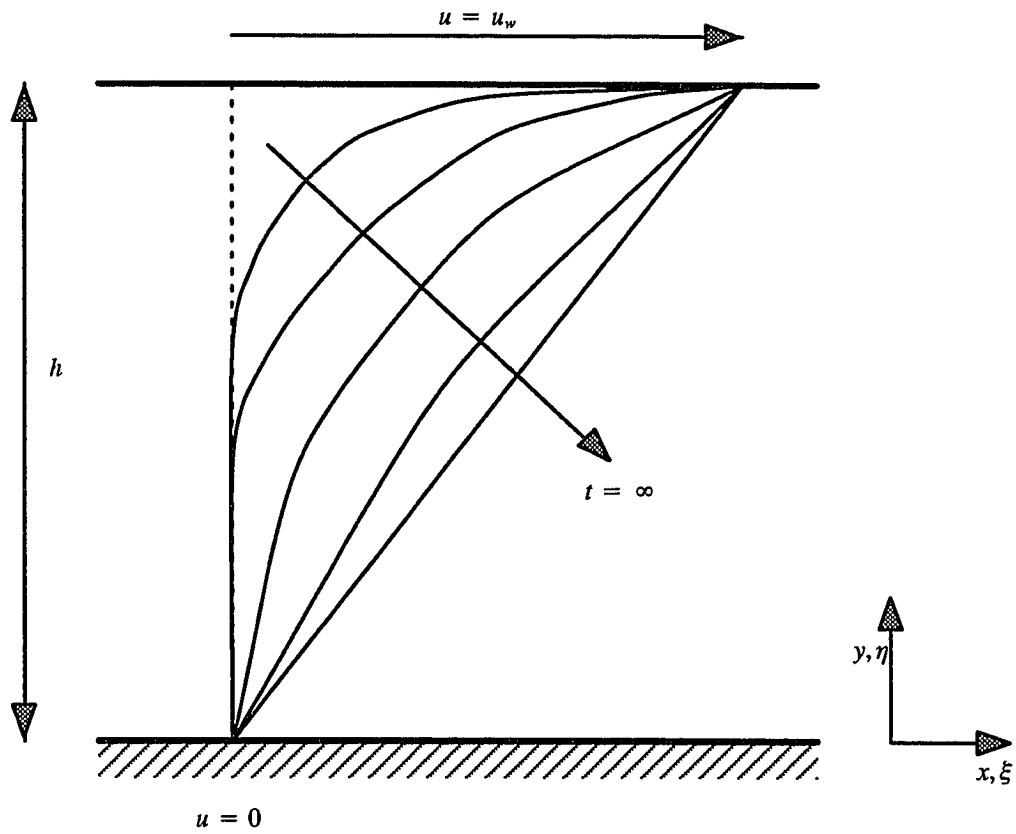


Fig. 6.1: Flow formation in Couette motion with zero pressure gradient

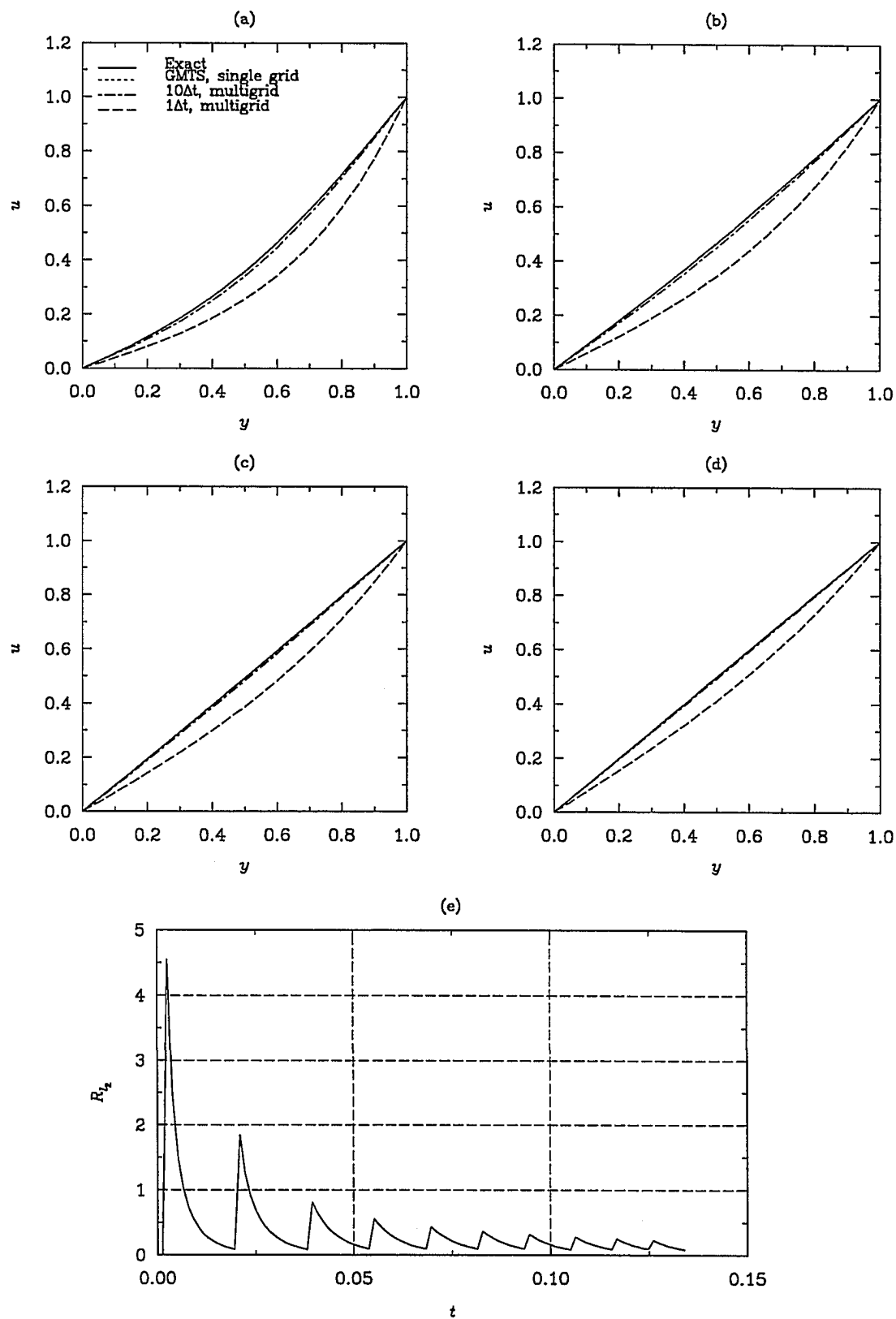


Fig. 6.2: Solutions for developing Couette flow (a)  $t = 0.134$  sec  
(b)  $t = 0.269$  sec (c)  $t = 0.403$  sec (d)  $t = 0.537$  sec  
(e) multigrid convergence rate for Couette flow

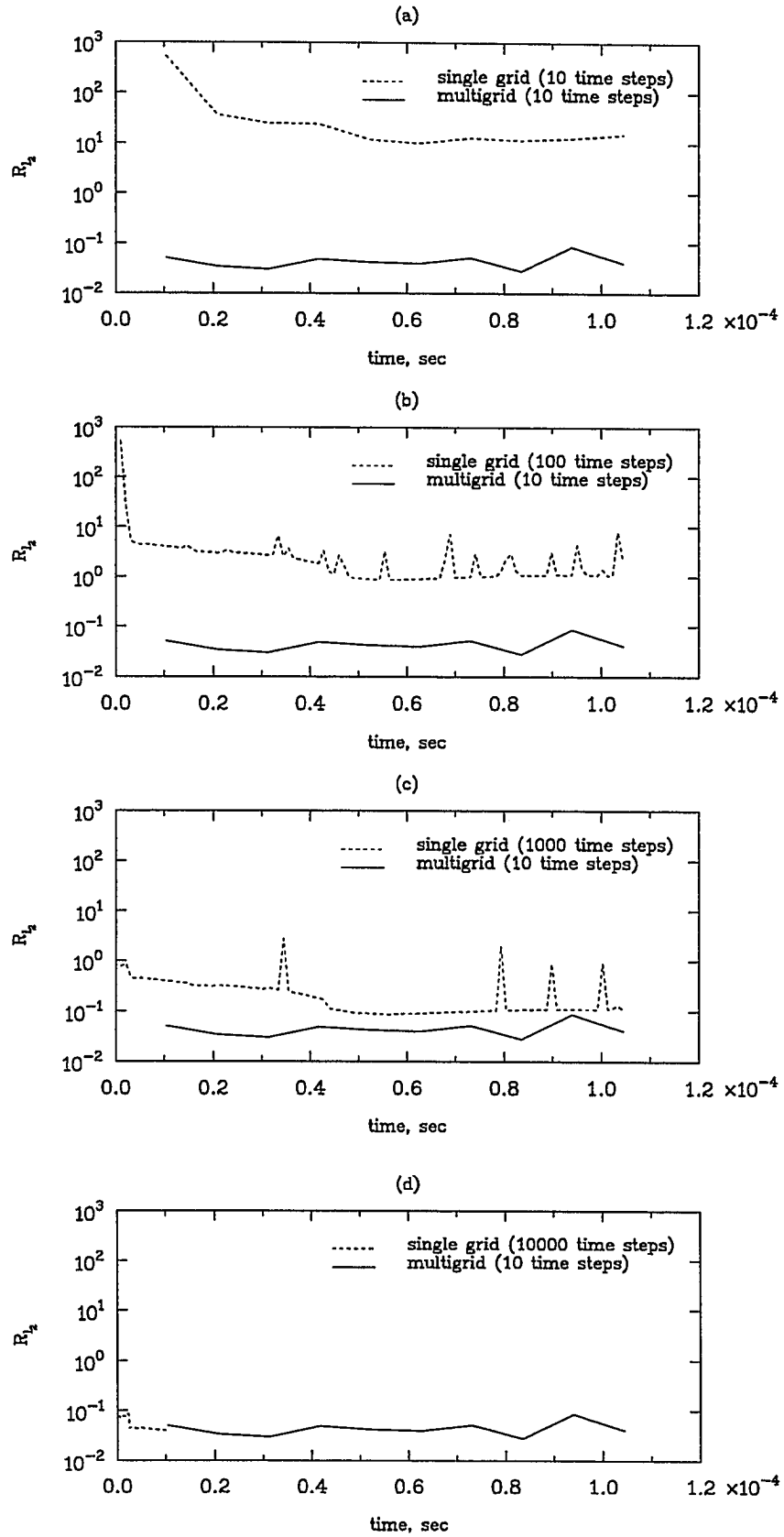


Fig. 6.3:  $R_{1/2}$  x-momentum Convergence History for mixed compression supersonic inlet flow (a)  $\Delta t = \Delta t_{sg}$  (b)  $\Delta t = 10\Delta t_{sg}$  (c)  $\Delta t = 100\Delta t_{sg}$  (d)  $\Delta t = 1000\Delta t_{sg}$

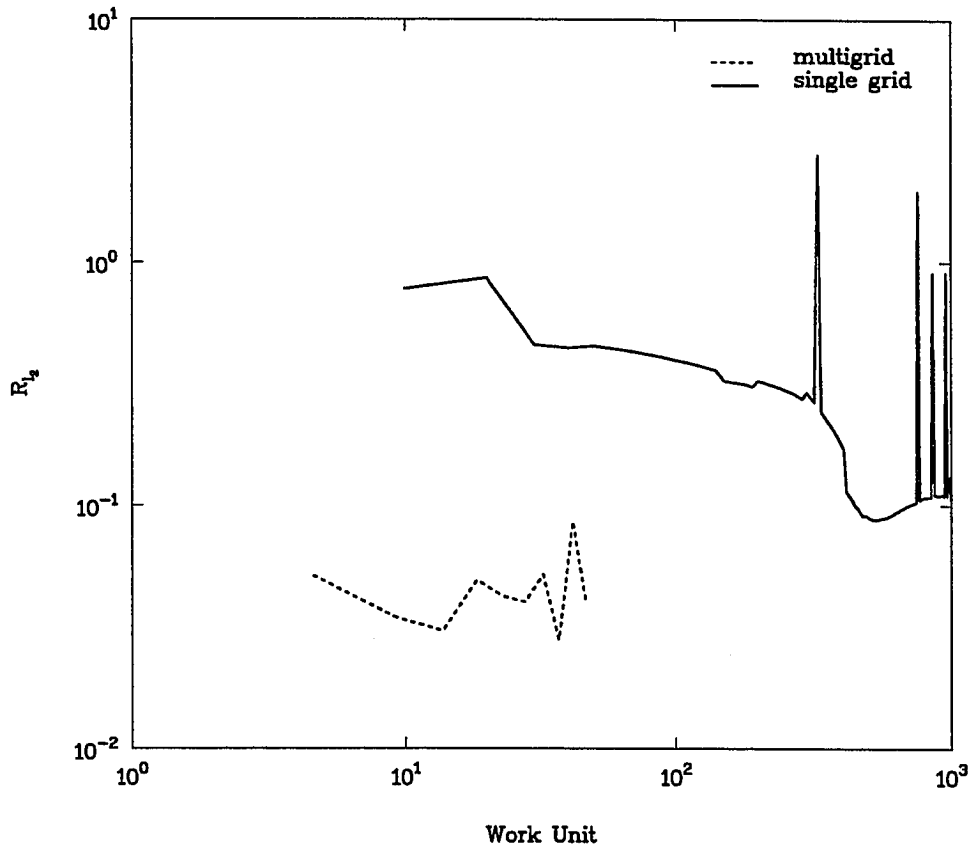


Fig. 6.4:  $R_{1_x}$  x-momentum Convergence History for mixed compression supersonic inlet flow (a)  $\Delta t = 100\Delta t_{sg}$

$$\left[ \mathbf{I} + \Delta\tau \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \left[ \mathbf{I} + \Delta\tau \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \Delta Q^p =$$

$$- \Delta\tau \left( \frac{Q^p - Q^n}{\Delta t} \right) - \Delta\tau \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \Delta\tau \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \Delta\tau \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p \quad (6.8)$$

and

$$\left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{2\Delta\tau}{3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{2\Delta\tau}{3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \Delta Q^p =$$

$$- \Delta\tau \left( \frac{3Q^p - 4Q^n + Q^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} \right) - \frac{2\Delta\tau}{3} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \frac{2\Delta\tau}{3} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p \quad (6.9)$$

$$+ \frac{4\Delta\tau}{3} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p - \frac{2\Delta\tau}{3} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \frac{2}{6} \Delta Q^{(n-1)}$$

The equation in the approximate factorization form presented in Eq. (6.7) is split into the following two-sweep sequence:

Sweep 1 ( $\xi$  direction)

$$\left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \Delta Q^* =$$

$$- \Delta t \Phi(t) - \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \frac{\Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p \quad (6.10)$$

$$+ \frac{(1 + \theta_3) \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p - \frac{\theta_3 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \left( \frac{\partial E_{V_2}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial F_{V_2}}{\partial \eta} \right)^p + \frac{\theta_2}{1 + \theta_2} \Delta Q^{(n-1)}$$

Sweep 2 ( $\eta$  direction)

$$\left[ \mathbf{I} + \frac{\theta_1 \Delta t}{1 + \theta_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial Q} - \frac{\partial F_{V_1}}{\partial Q} \right) \right]^p \Delta Q^p = \Delta Q^* \quad (6.11)$$

For this approach, iterating to convergence at each time level results in a scheme that will allow larger time steps to be taken since the linearization errors and factorization errors are now eliminated. For problems where only the asymptotic steady state is of interest, the iteration (inner iteration) process need not be carried to convergence at each time step. Notice, also, that when the number of inner iterations is restricted to one, the scheme reverts to a conventional non-iterative pseudo-time marching scheme given by Eq. (4.23).

### **6.3 Multigrid Acceleration**

With the inner iterations introduced at each time step, the multigrid method discussed in Sec. (5.2) can now be applied to accelerate each steady state computation. The multigrid procedure reduces the additional overhead incurred on inner iterations by accelerating the inner iterations at each time step. Overall saving in time, thus, comes from multigrid acceleration and from the fact that we can now advance the solution at larger time steps.

### **6.4 Test Problems**

#### **6.4.1 Couette Flow**

To demonstrate the capability of the above algorithm, Stokes second problem, also known as Couette flow, is selected as a test case. This is a time-accurate calculation of laminar flow generated in a channel by an impulsively started upper wall as in Fig. 6.1 while the lower wall is at rest. It has an exact solution and therefore, is a good candidate for validation. Present computations were carried out at  $Re=100$  and grid size of  $11 \times 22$ . Figures 6.2(a-d) show the time accurate solutions at different physical times  $t$ . In each of the figures, the exact solution is compared with the computed solution at the global minimum time step (GMTS). Also shown in the figures were the results of calculations performed with the present algorithm at other time steps apart from the GMTS. In Fig. 6.2(a), it takes about 70 GMTS to reach physical time  $t = 0.134$  sec. Using the present algorithm, a solution with same order of

accuracy is reached with only ten time steps. As can be seen in the figure, a solution close in accuracy to the GMTS solution can be obtained with the present algorithm even with 1 time step. Similar conclusions can be reached from Figs 6.2(c–d). For example, in Fig. 6.2(d), 70 time steps are required to reach the physical time of  $t = 0.537$  sec compared to 280 GMTS required in this case.

From the explanation in previous sections, the errors associated with factorization and linearization are reduced to within a certain specified tolerance limit using the present method. The rates at which these errors are driven to the tolerance limit for the ten time-step case is shown in Fig. 6.2(e) for the physical time  $t = 0.134$  sec. In this case, a CPU time saving of about 60% is achieved. The exact solution for this developing flow is as follows (Towne et al., 1990):

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{u}{u_w} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \text{erfc}[(2n+1)\phi_1 - \phi] - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \text{erfc}[(2n+1)\phi_1 + \phi] \\ \phi &= \frac{y}{2\sqrt{\nu t}} \sqrt{\text{Re}} \\ \phi_1 &= \frac{h}{2\sqrt{\nu t}} \sqrt{\text{Re}}\end{aligned}\tag{6.12}$$

#### 6.4.2 Inlet Flow

As a second test case, the mixed compression supersonic inlet flow reviewed in Chap. 1 is selected for multigrid acceleration in its unsteady regime. The multigrid algorithm developed in the previous chapter for steady problems fails to accelerate the inlet flow as it does in the Sajben transonic case. The convergence history of the single grid computation and the multigrid computation is shown in Figs. 6.3(a–d). From Fig 6.3(a), for a selected time step,  $\Delta t$ , appropriate to resolve the physical changes, the single grid computation yields time accurate solutions with errors about two order of magnitude higher than the multigrid solutions. These errors were considerably removed when the time step,  $\Delta t_{sg}$ , of the single grid computation is reduced by a factor of ten and 100 (see Figs. 6.2(b) and 6.2(c),



respectively). To bring the errors down to the same level of accuracy as multigrid computation, it was found experimentally that the time step has to be reduced by a factor of 1000. This means that for one multigrid time step, the single grid computation will have to be advanced 1000 time steps to achieve the same level of accuracy (see Fig. 6.2(d)). Although multigrid incurs more expense due to overhead per time step than does the single grid computation, the overall computational expense in this case is much lower, since the single grid computation needs more iterations to arrive at a given physical time,  $t$ . Fig. 6.3 shows the work unit for a typical computation. In this figure, the time step used in the single grid computation is two order of magnitude lower than the time step used in the multigrid computation; i.e.,  $\Delta t = 100\Delta t_{sg}$ . Even with this conservative time step, we can observe that there is a CPU saving of more than a factor of 20. The unsteady solutions of this flow are investigated and discussed fully in the next chapter.

## 6.5 Concluding Remarks.

A method to accelerate time-accurate computation of the Navier-Stoke equations has been discussed and validated in this chapter. Motivated by the result obtained for the test cases, the supersonic inlet flow, which is more practical and computationally intensive than the Sajben transonic flow will now be investigated time-accurately in the next chapter.

## **Chapter 7**

### **INLET FLOWS**

As discussed in Sec. 1.5 of Chap. 1, the variable diameter centerbody (VDC) inlet has been thoroughly investigated experimentally at NASA Lewis Research Center. A significant feature noticed is that the flow field is inherently unsteady. The work of Saunders (1991) and Chung (1993) reviewed in Chap. 1 studied the full configuration of the VDC computationally to provide insight into the future wind tunnel testing. Whereas Saunders investigated steady, viscous flow, Chung's work involved the solutions of inviscid flow equations, although time-accurately. In this chapter, the time accurate solutions of the full Navier–Stokes equations will be studied within the framework of the multigrid algorithm developed in the previous chapters.

#### **7.1 Grid Distribution**

Computations were initially performed on a set of three grids shown in Fig. 7.1. Preliminary results showed that base grid case (Fig. 7.1(b)) of 223X99 is adequate to resolve all the important features of the flow fields such as the shock–shock and shock–boundary layer interactions. The finest grid (Fig. 7.1(a)) was an adaptation of the 447X199 grid used by Saunders. In his work, to make efficient use of the available grid points, he resolved shocks over a minimum physical space by skewing the grid along their expected positions. The remaining grid points were packed in the inlet throat and, in particular, the bleed region on the centerbody. In the bleed region, for instance, 27 grid points were utilized in the base grid case. The bleed is located 112 grid points away from the tip of the centerbody. In terms of

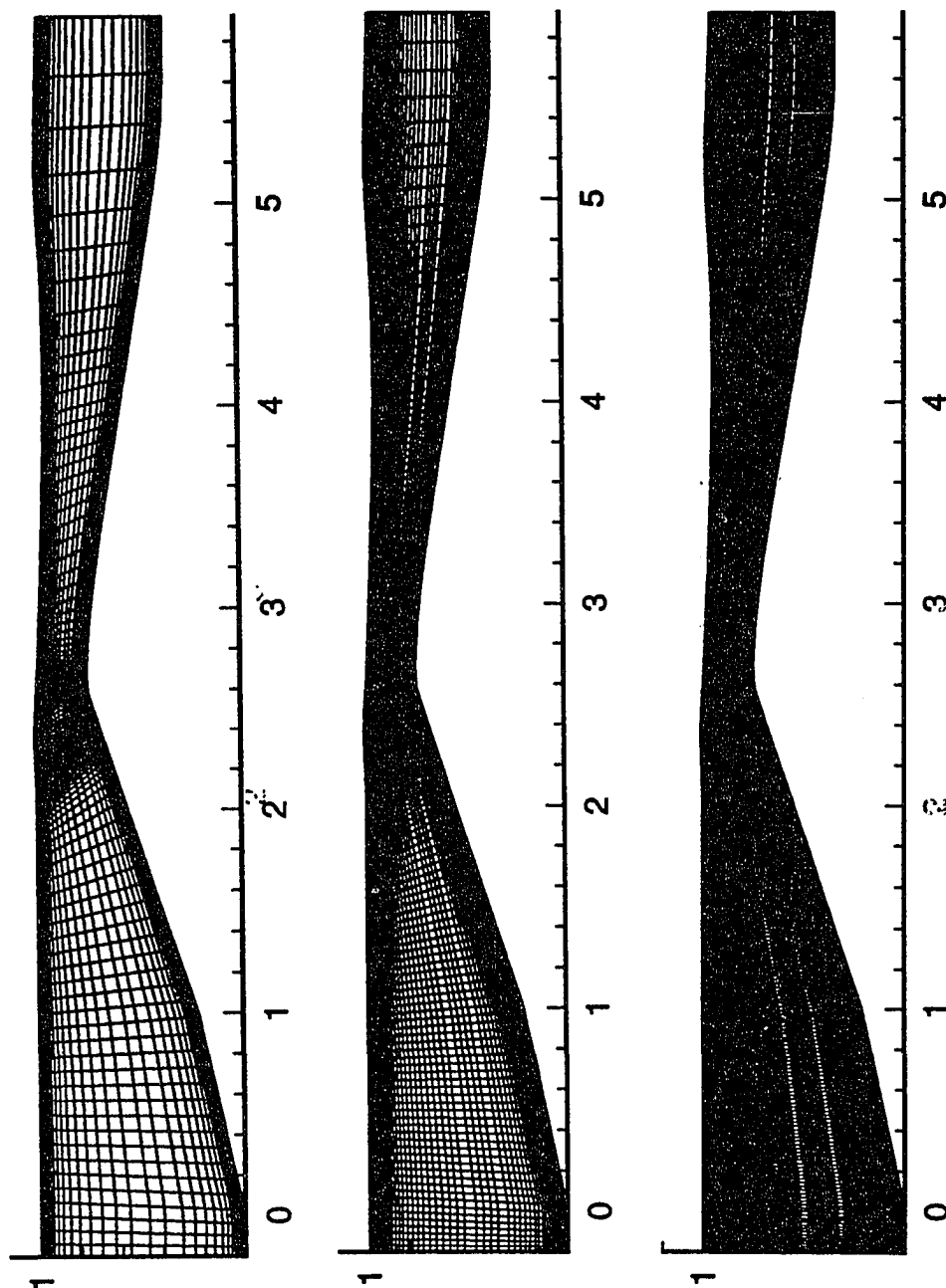


Fig .7.1: Grid description for supersonic inlet flow (VDC) (a) coarse grid (112X50) (b) base case grid (223X99) (c) fine grid (445X197)

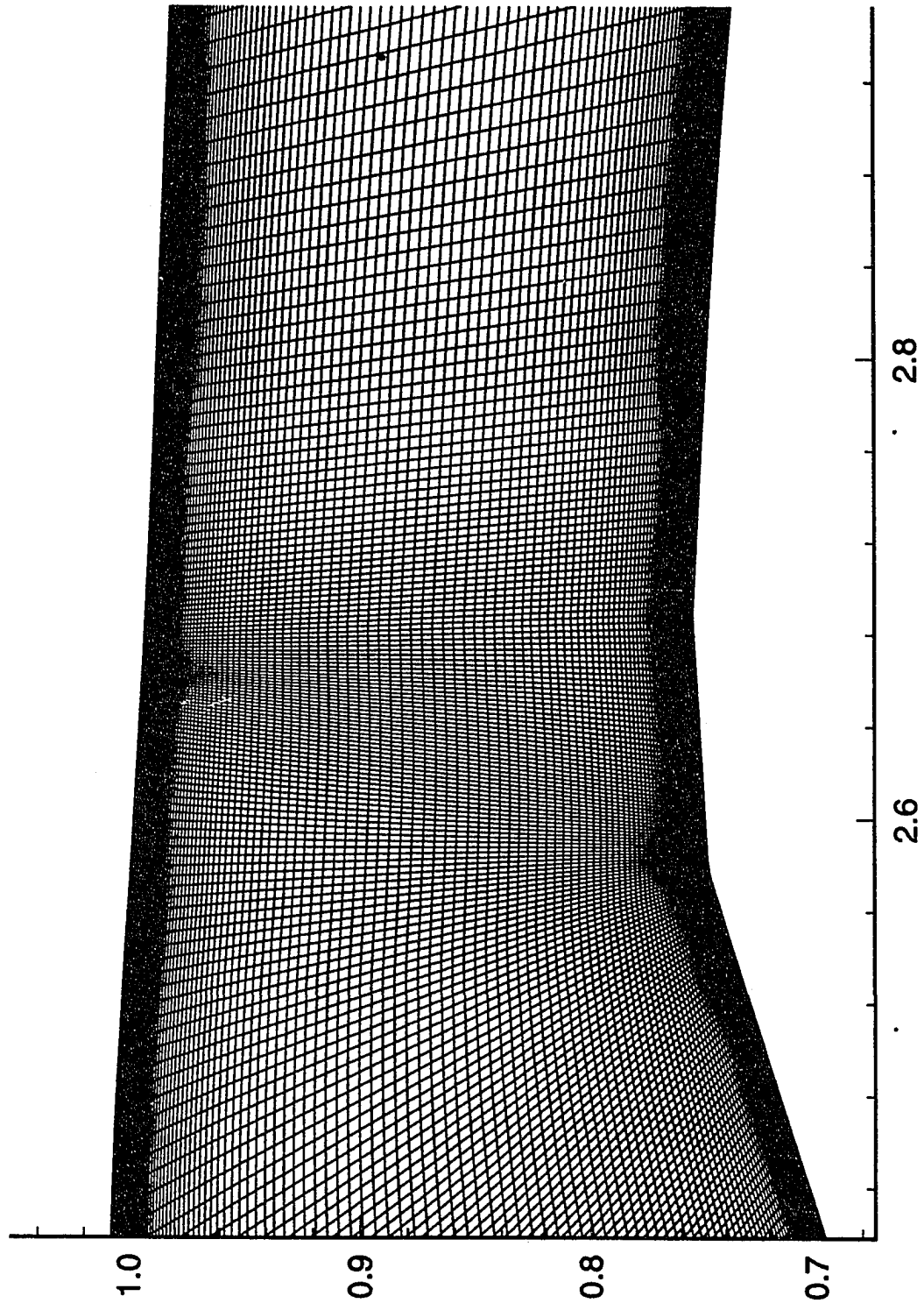


Fig . 7.2: Grid description for supersonic inlet flow (VDC); blow-up around the bleed slot.

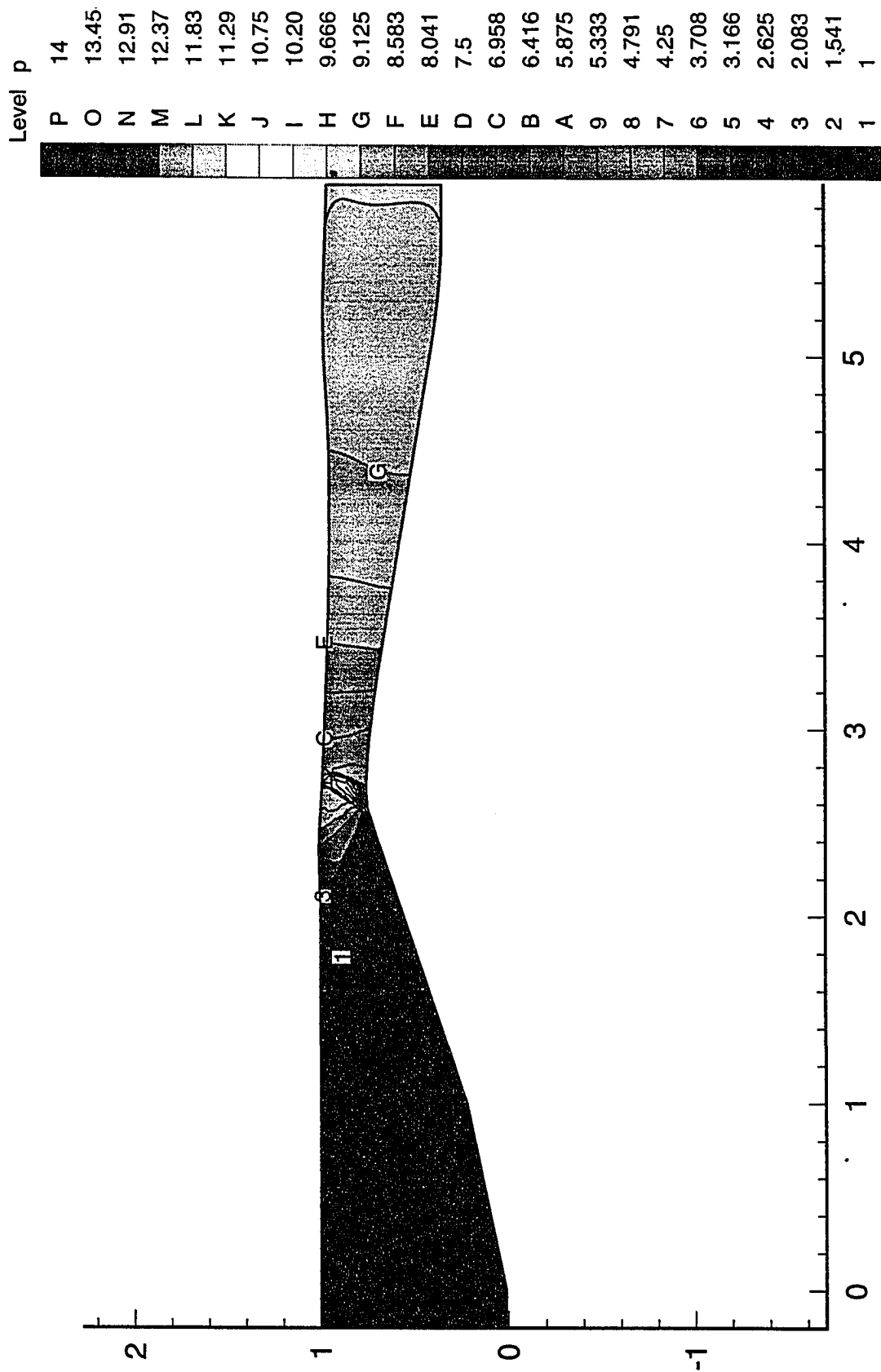


Fig 7.3: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure contours.

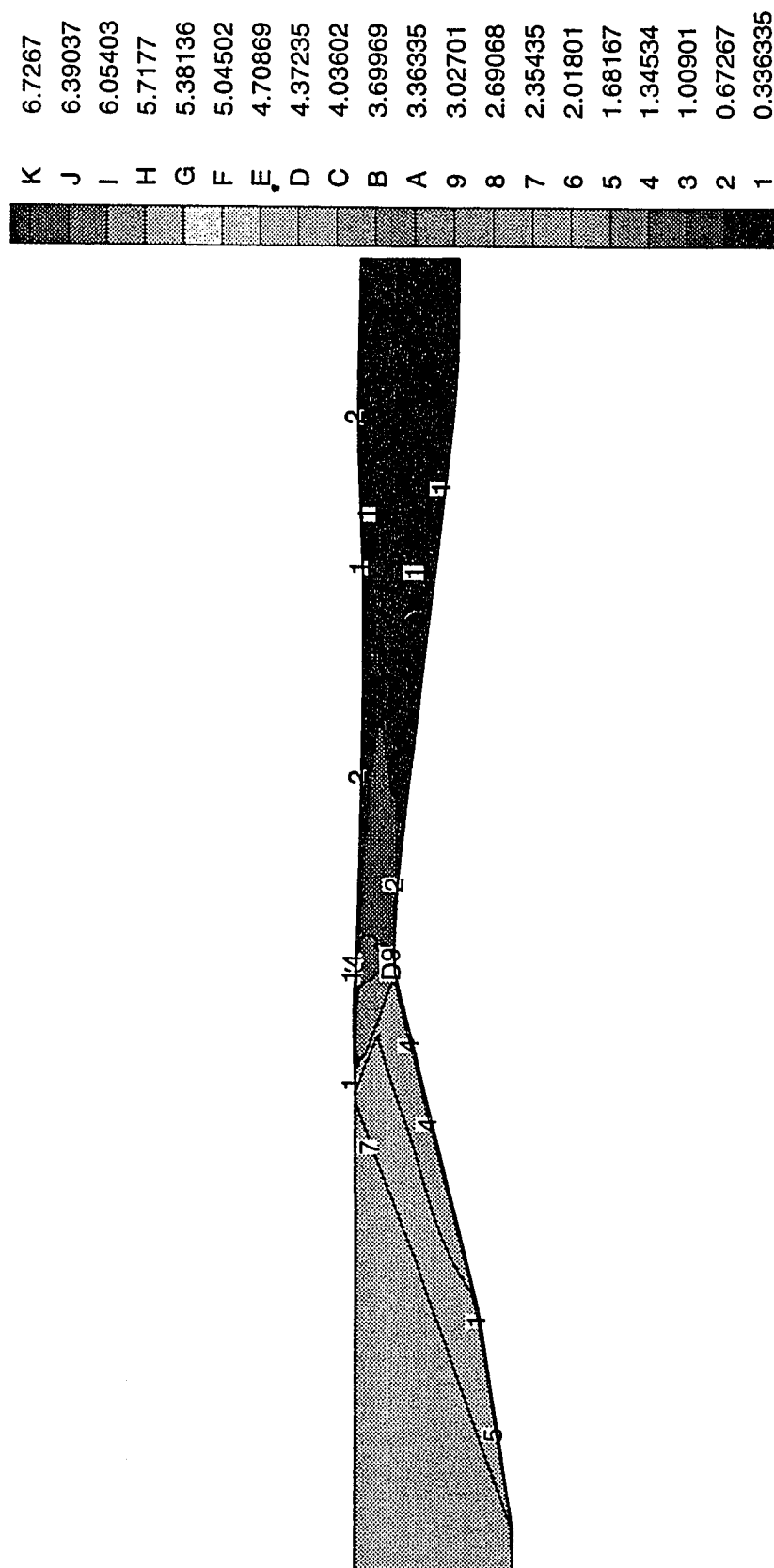


Fig. 7.4: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Mach contours



Fig. 7.5: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Velocity vector plot

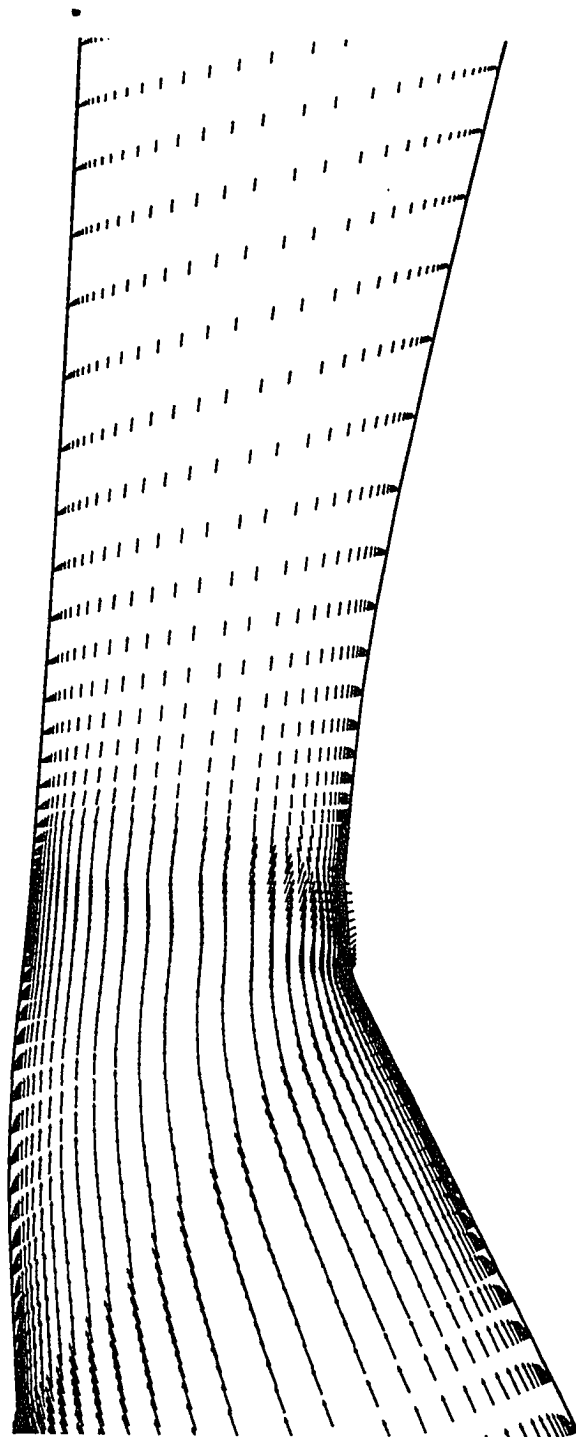


Fig. 7.6: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); a blow-up of Velocity vector plot around bleed slot



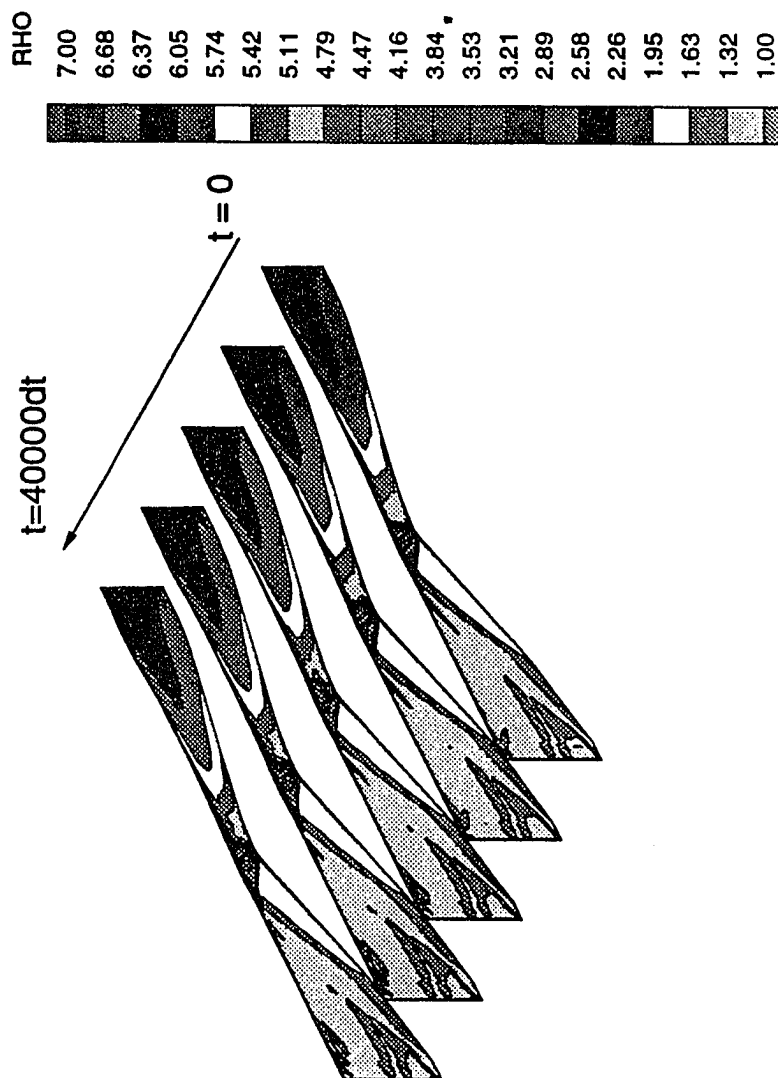
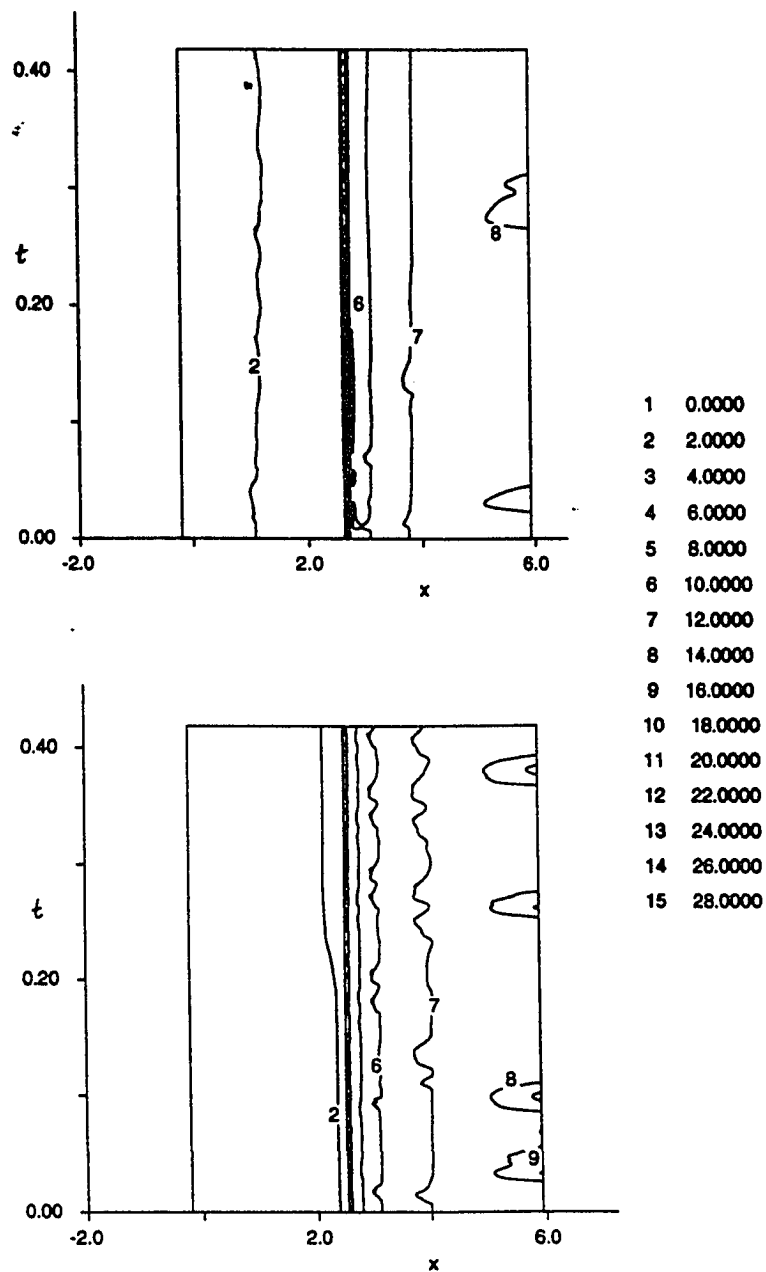


Fig . 7.7: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); time-dependent density contours for selected time



**Figs. 7.8: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); time-dependent pressure contours for all time (a) Centerbody (b) Cowl.**

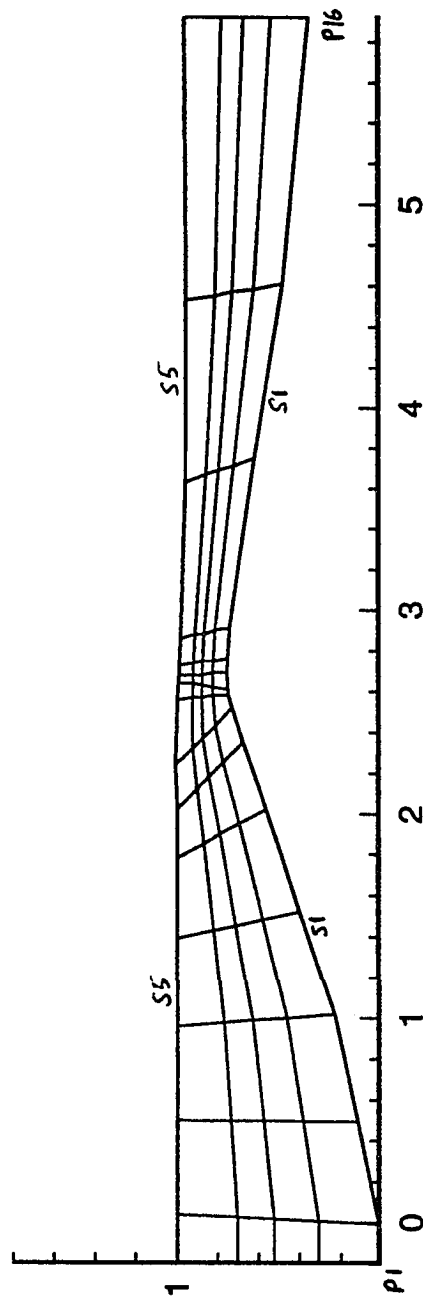


Fig . 7.9: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); numerical probe location

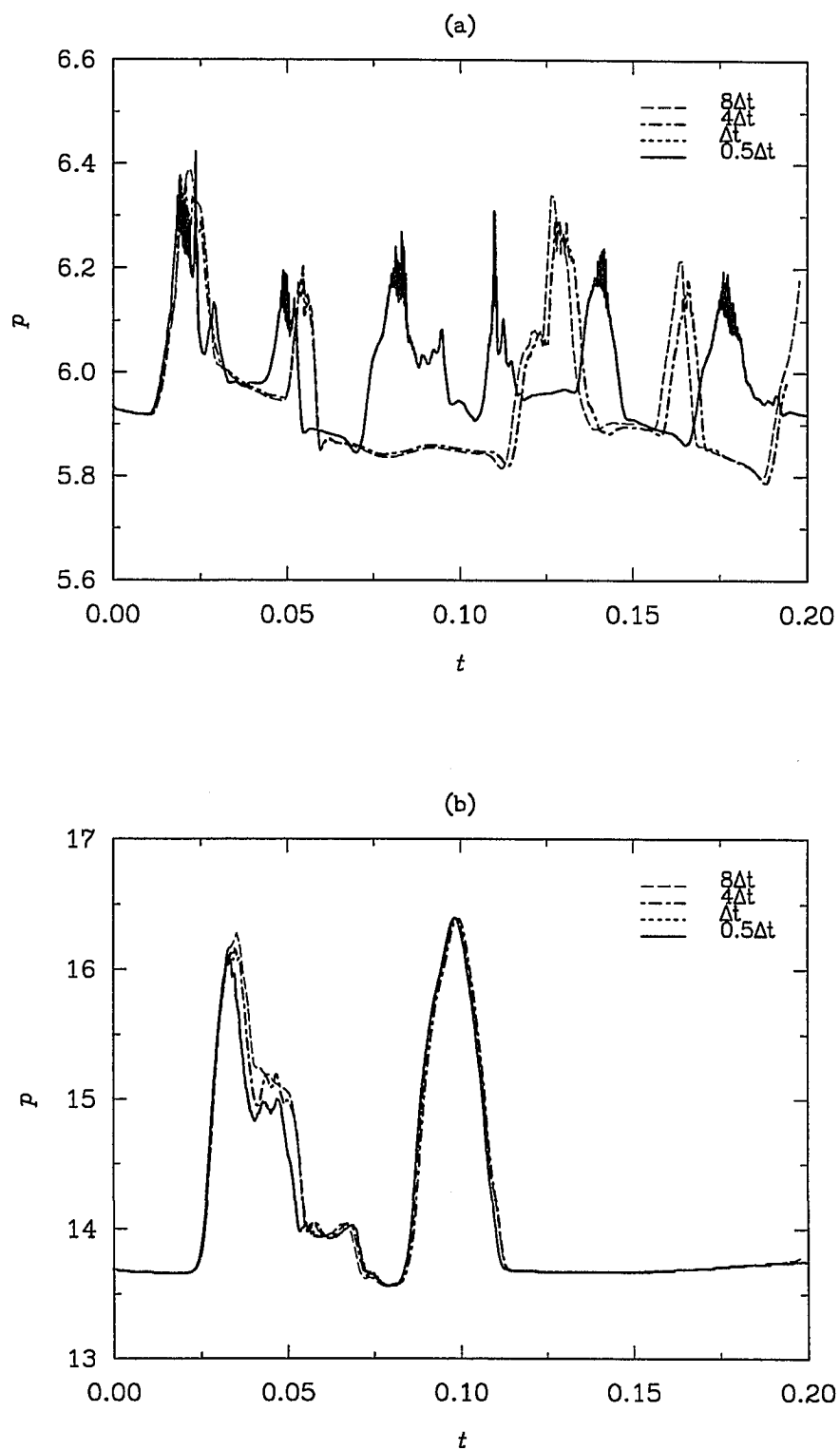


Fig. 7.10: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Static Pressure time series (a) probe at mid-section of inlet and on cowl (b) probe at exit and on cowl

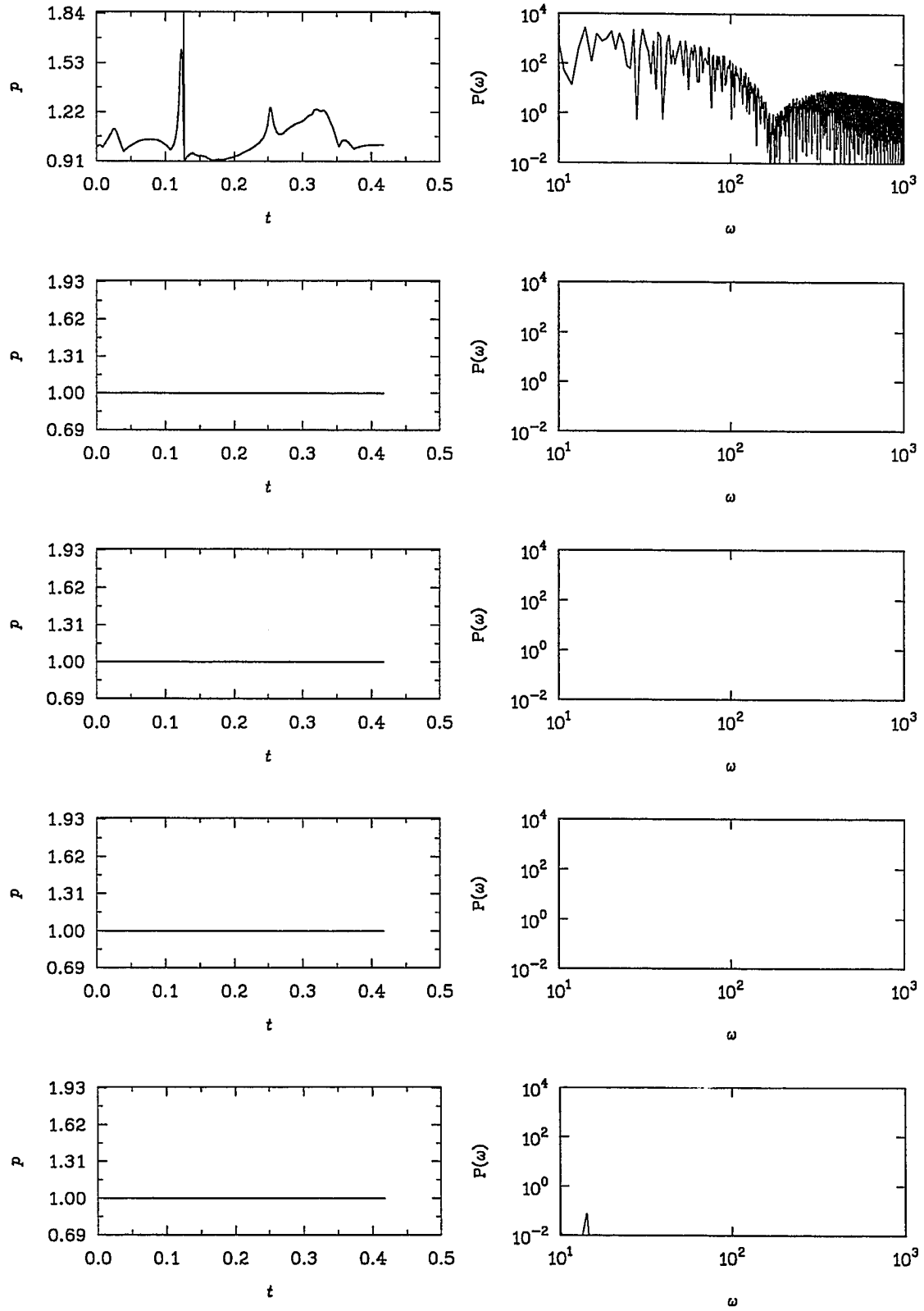


Fig. 7.11: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #1

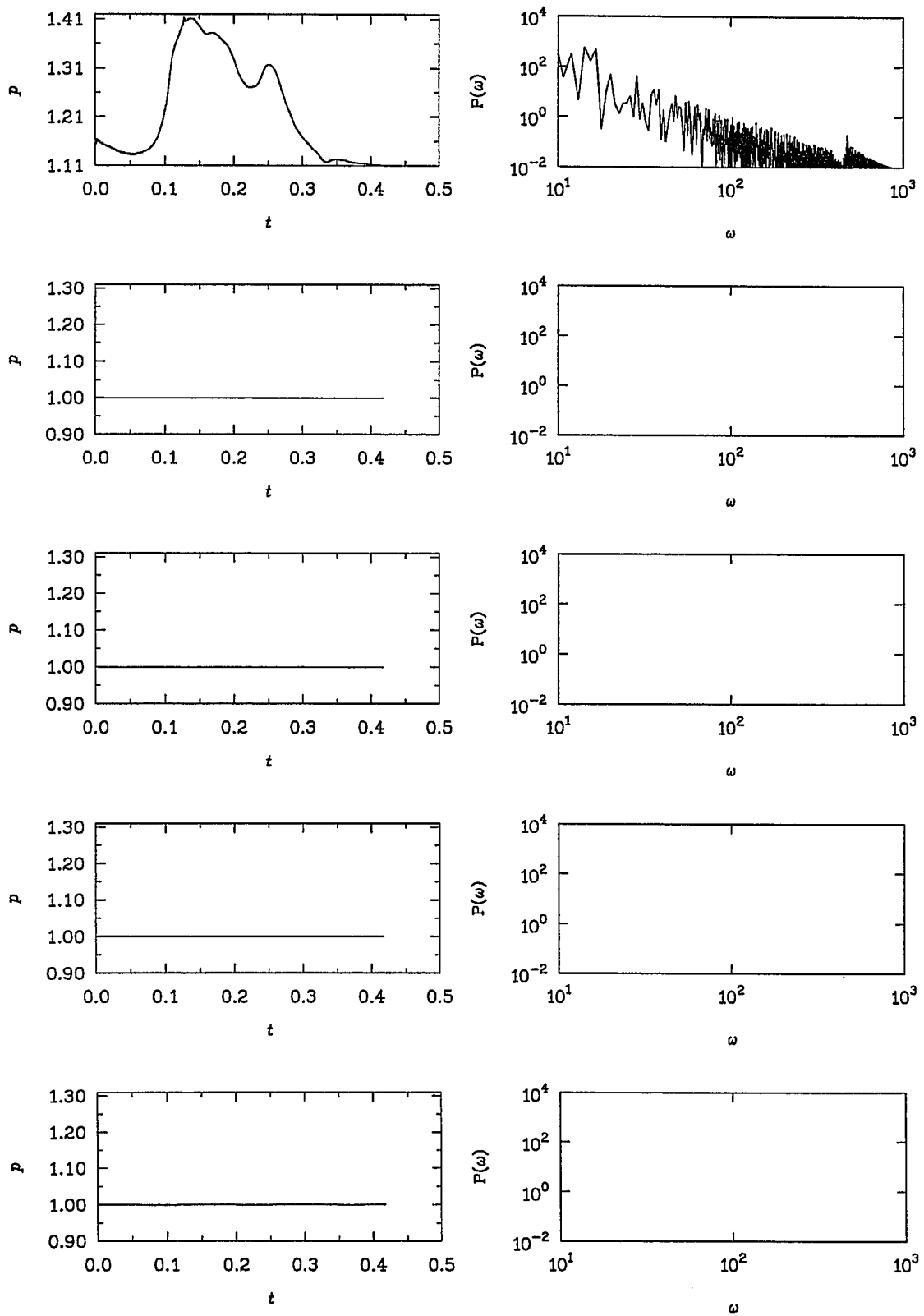


Fig. 7.12: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #2

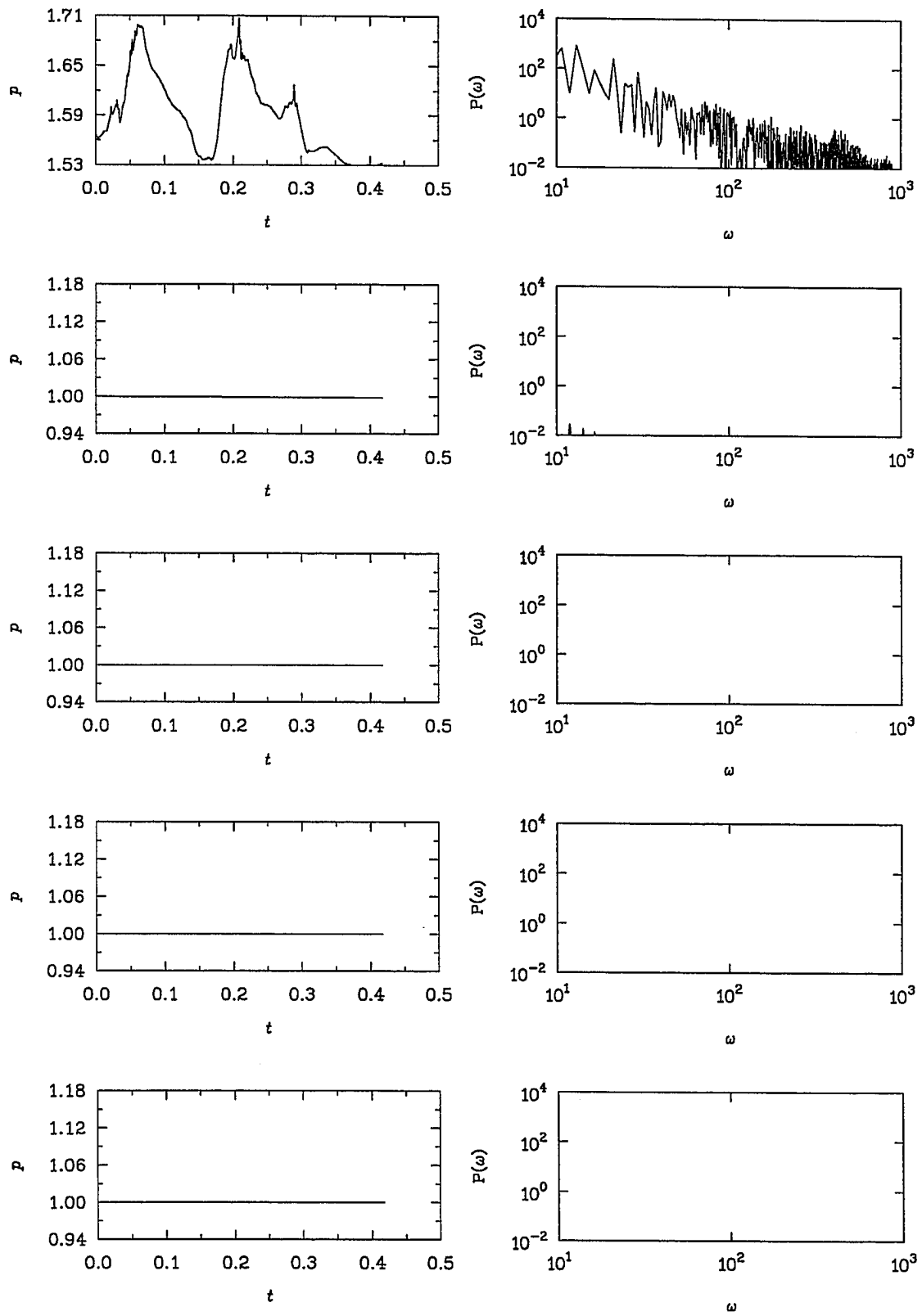


Fig. 7.13: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #3

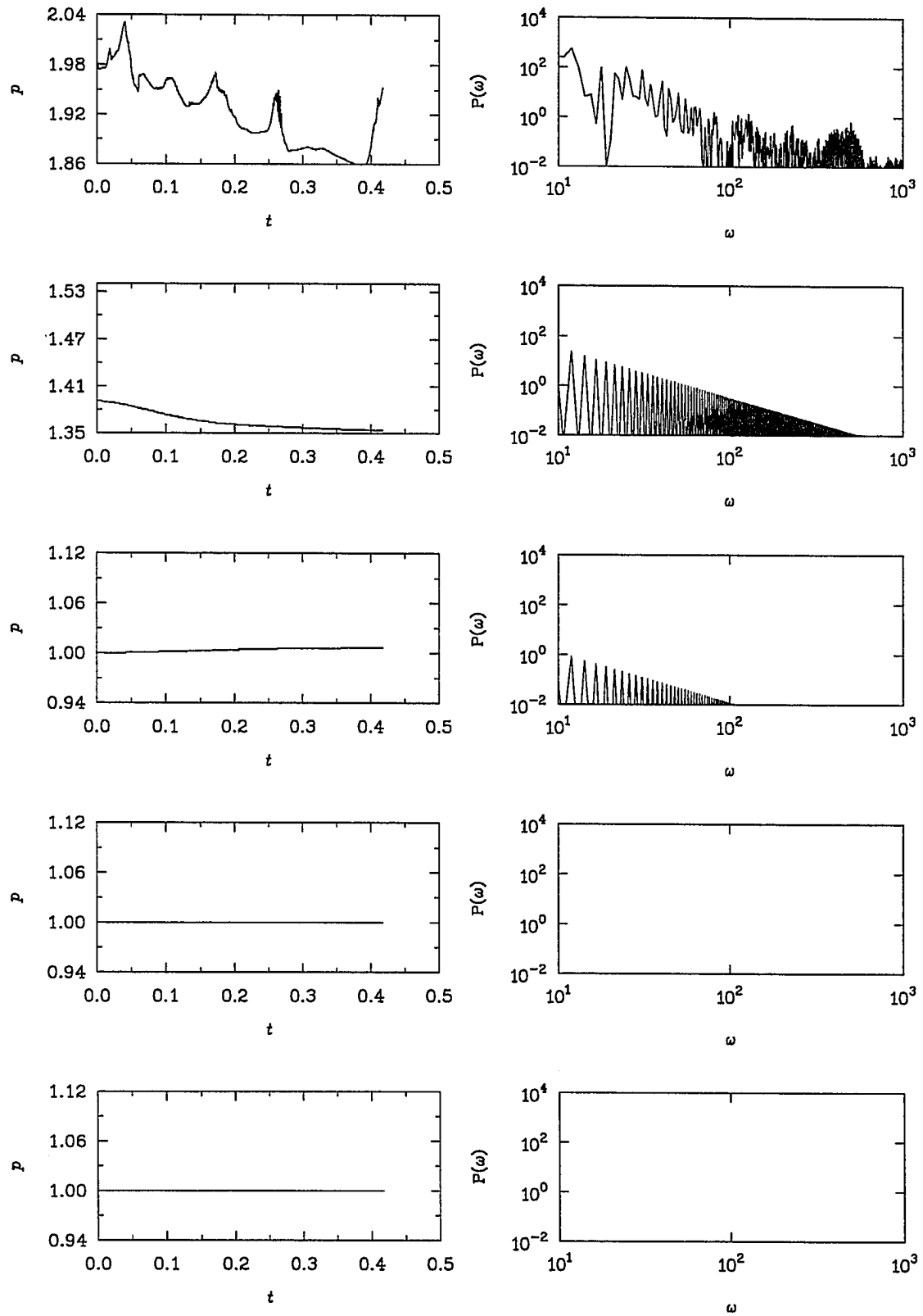


Fig. 7.14: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #4



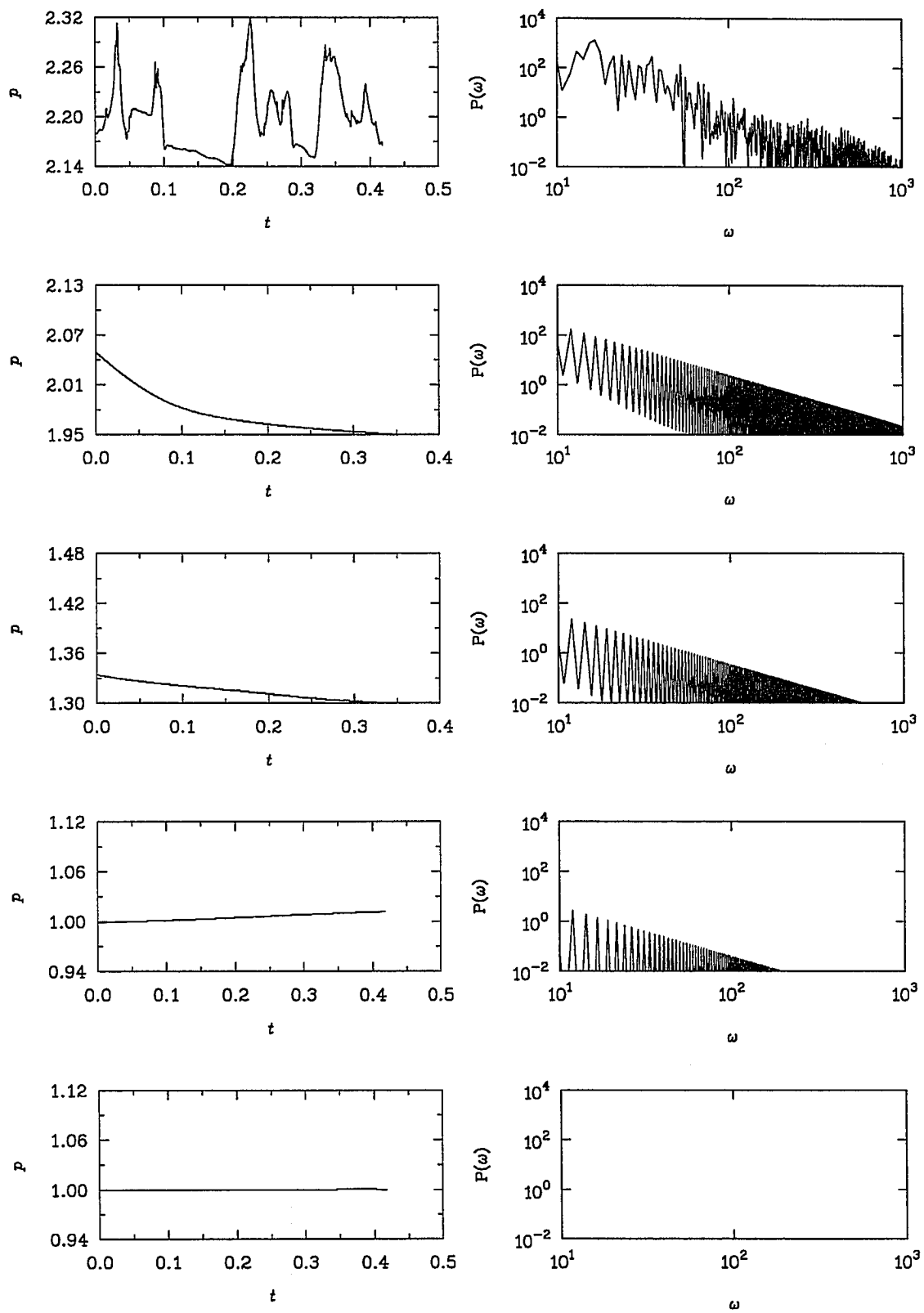


Fig. 7.15: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #5

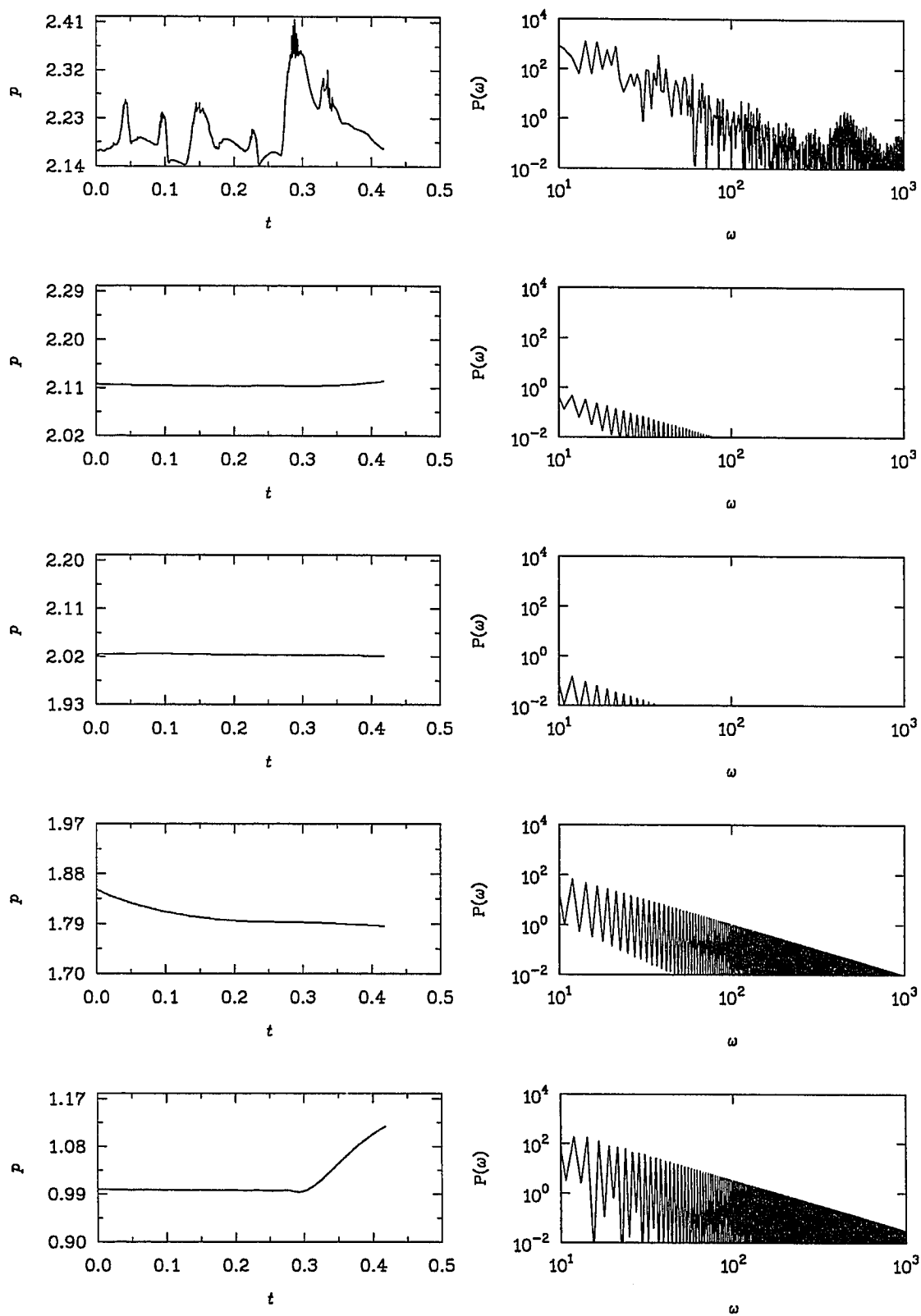


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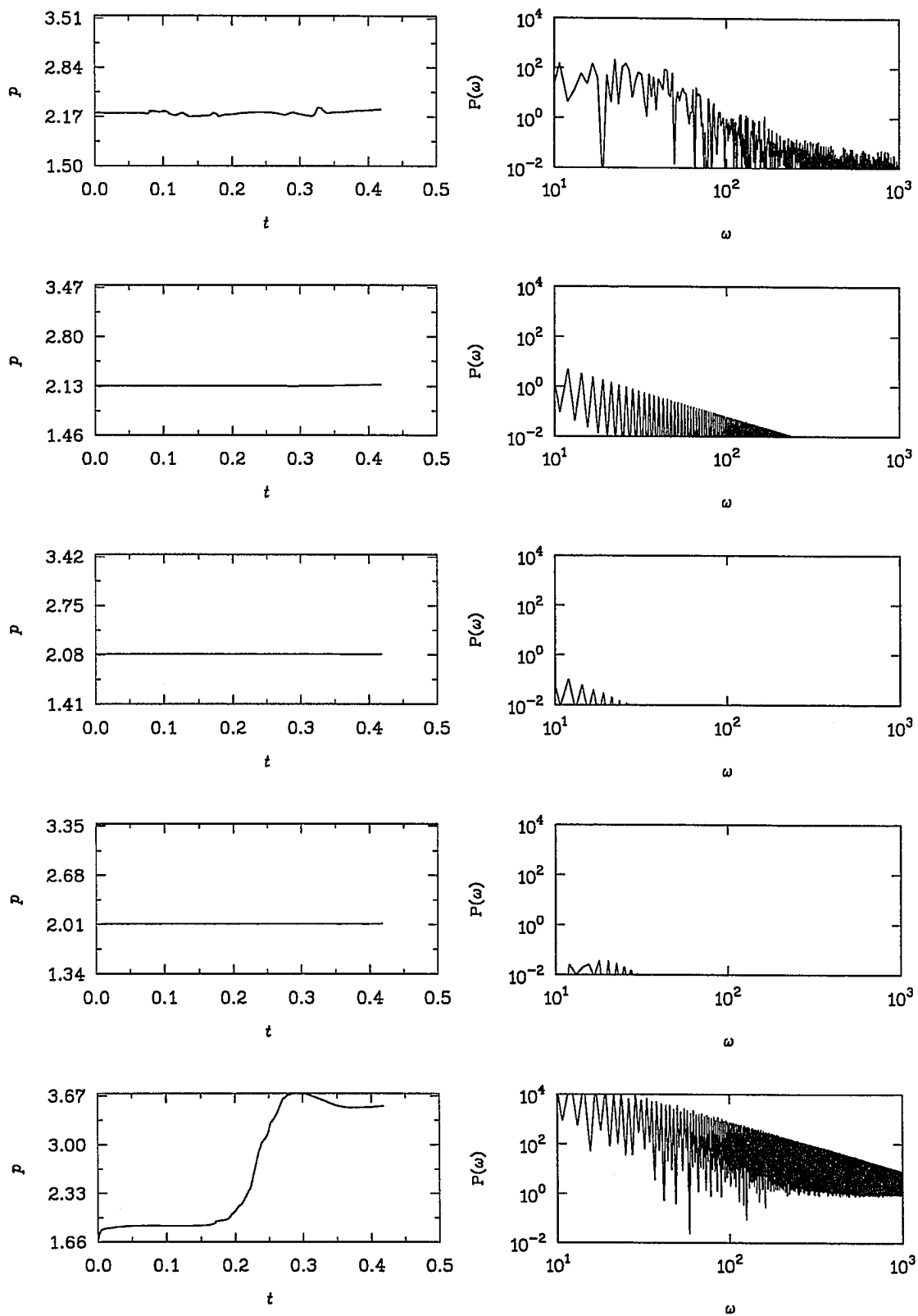


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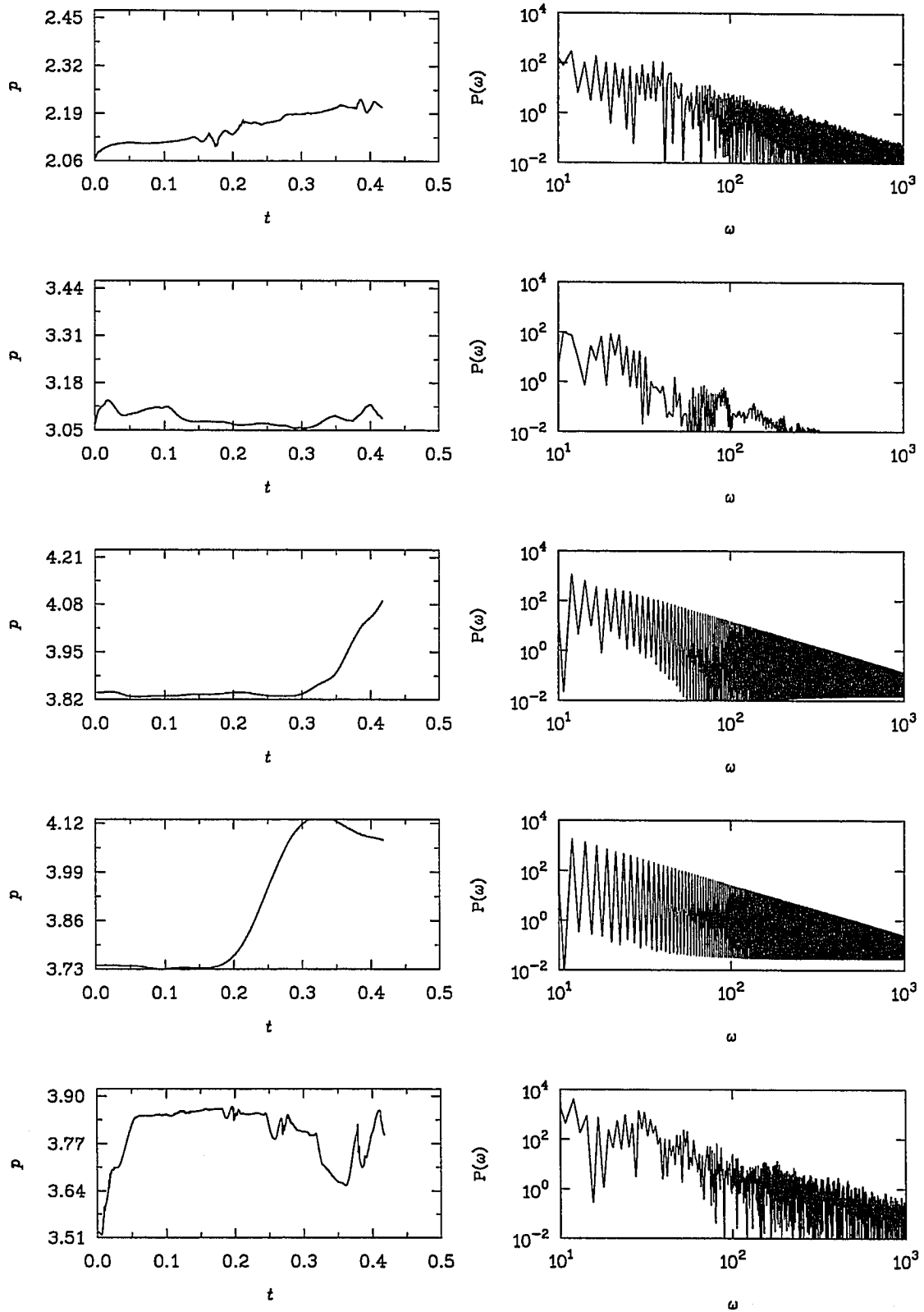


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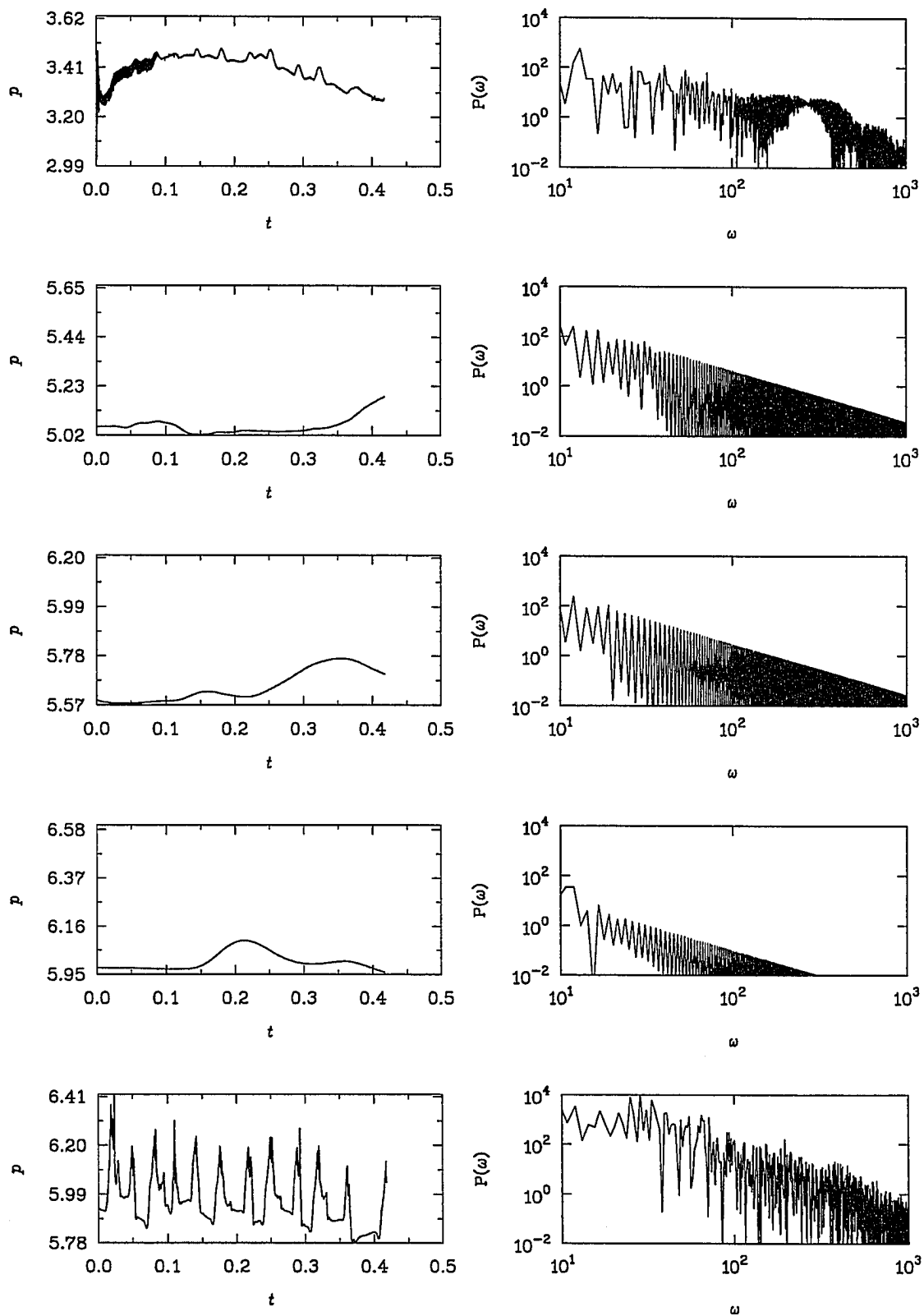


Fig. 7.19: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #9

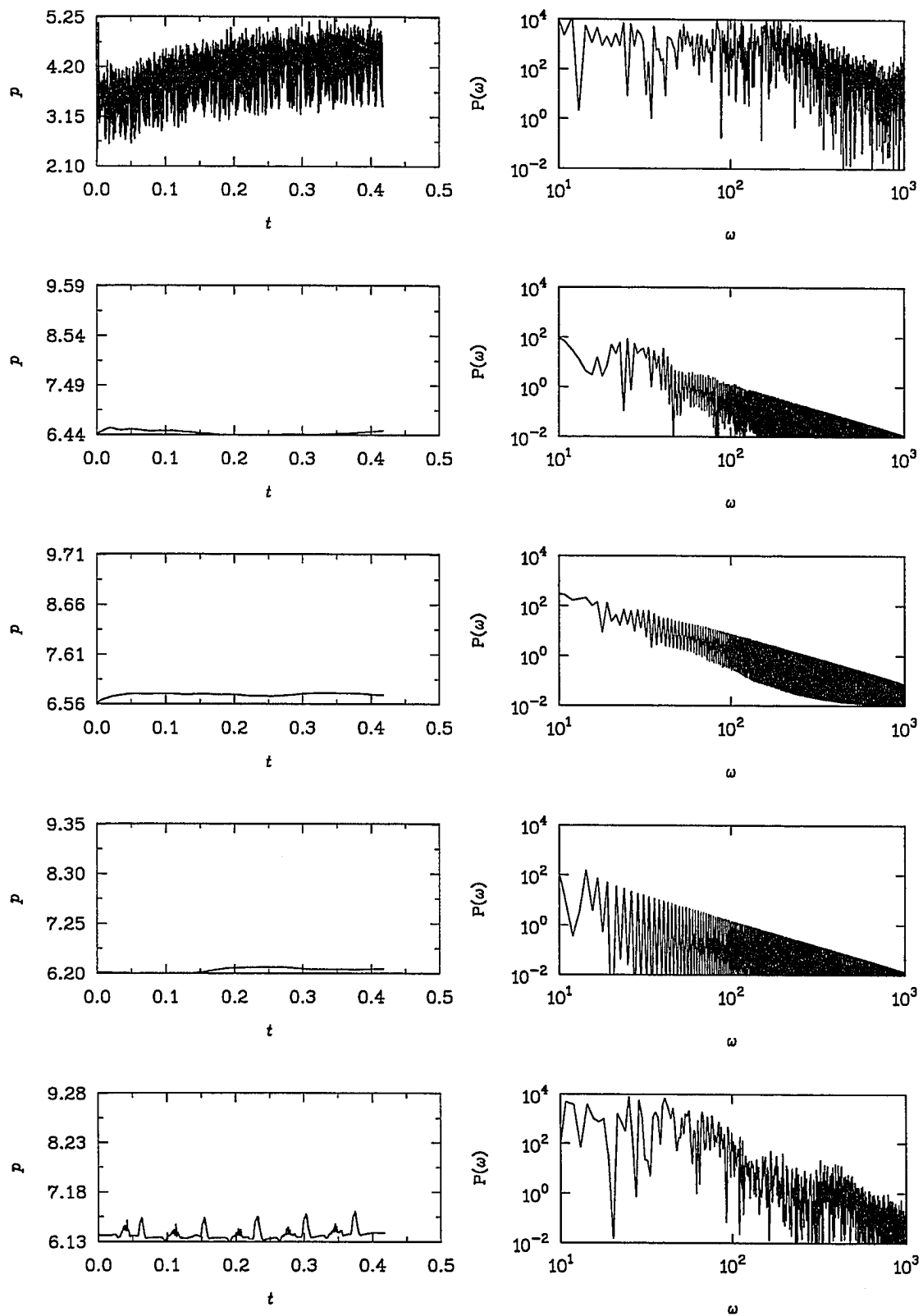


Fig. 7.20: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #10

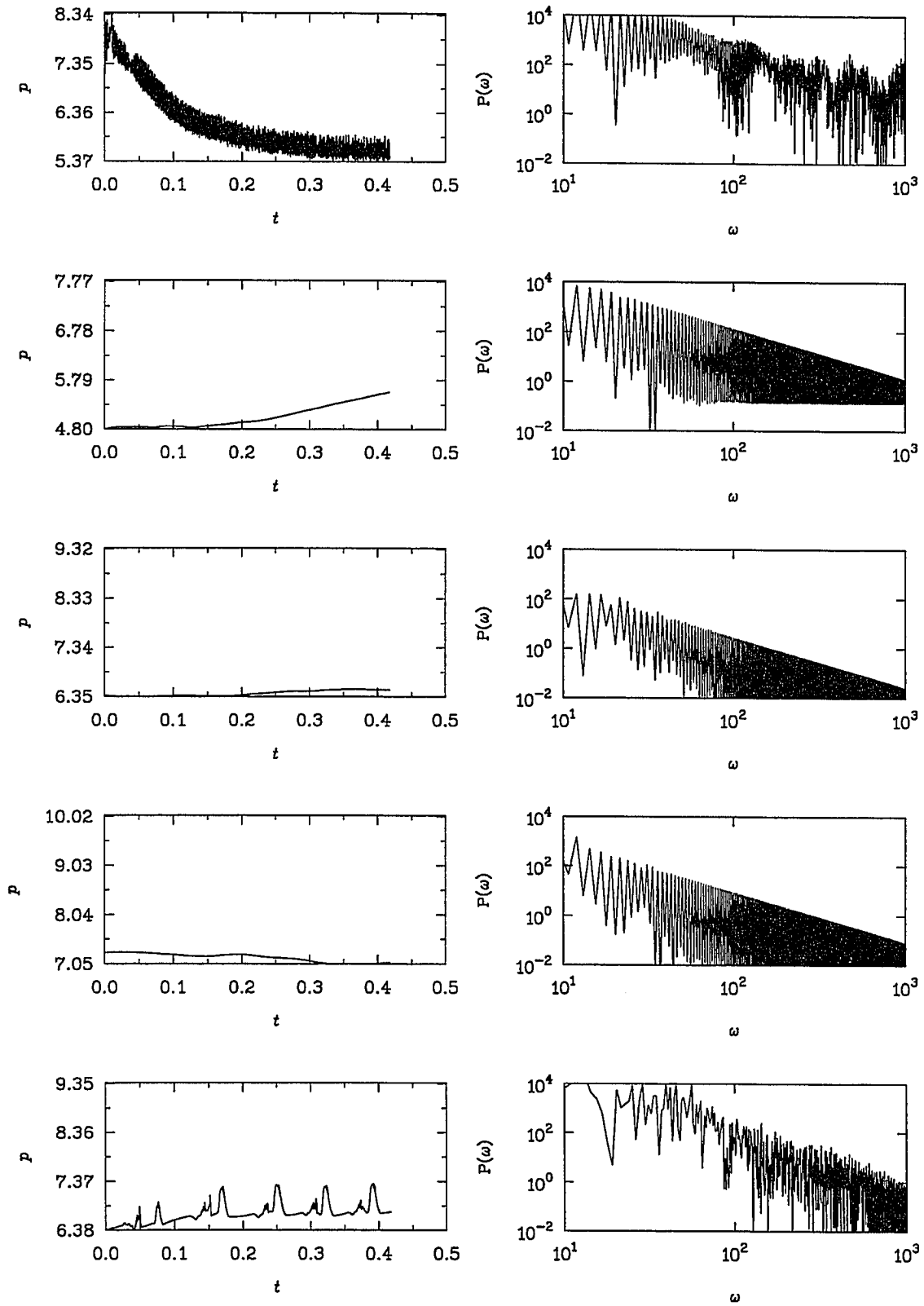


Fig. 7.21: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #11

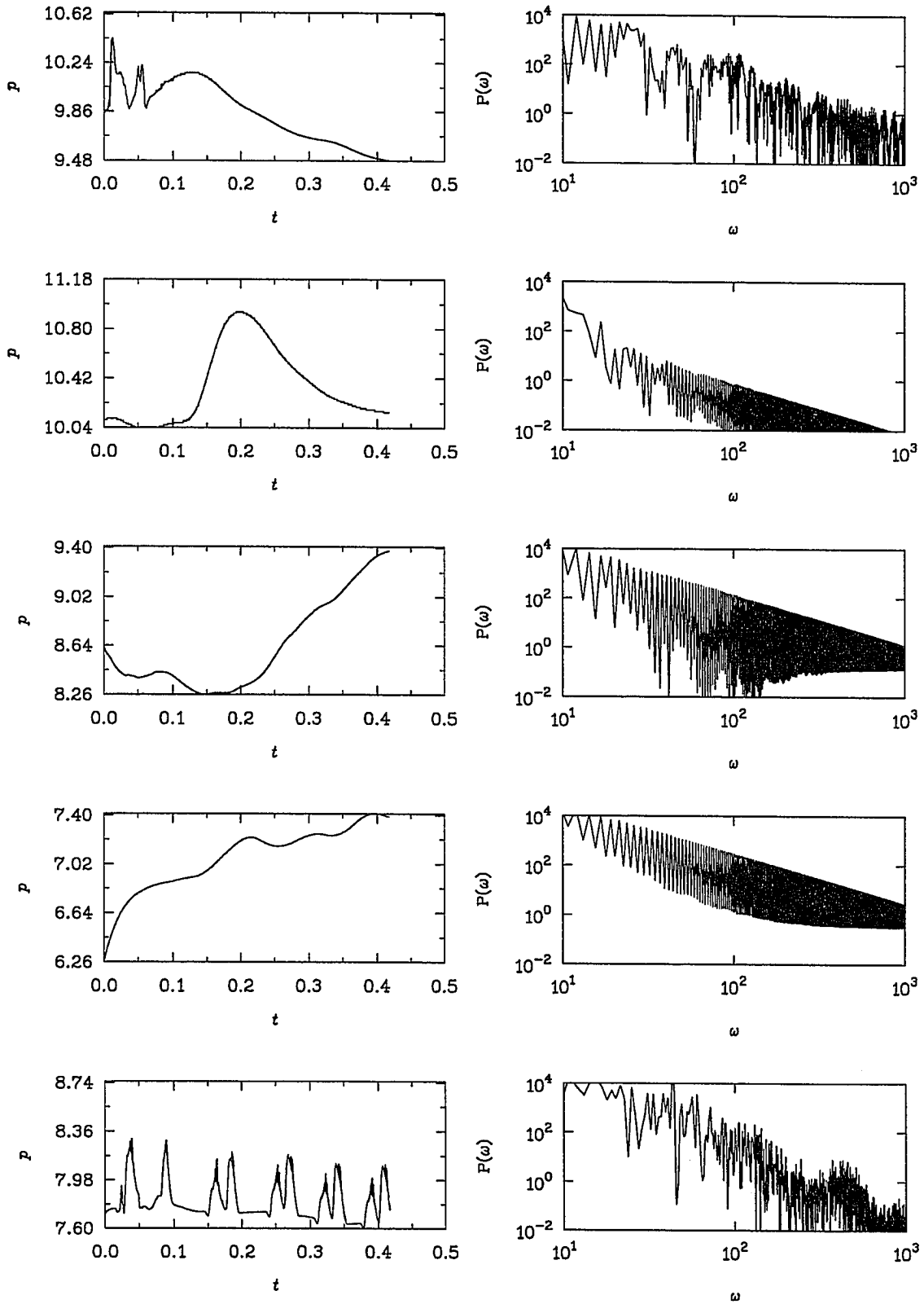


Fig. 7.22: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #12



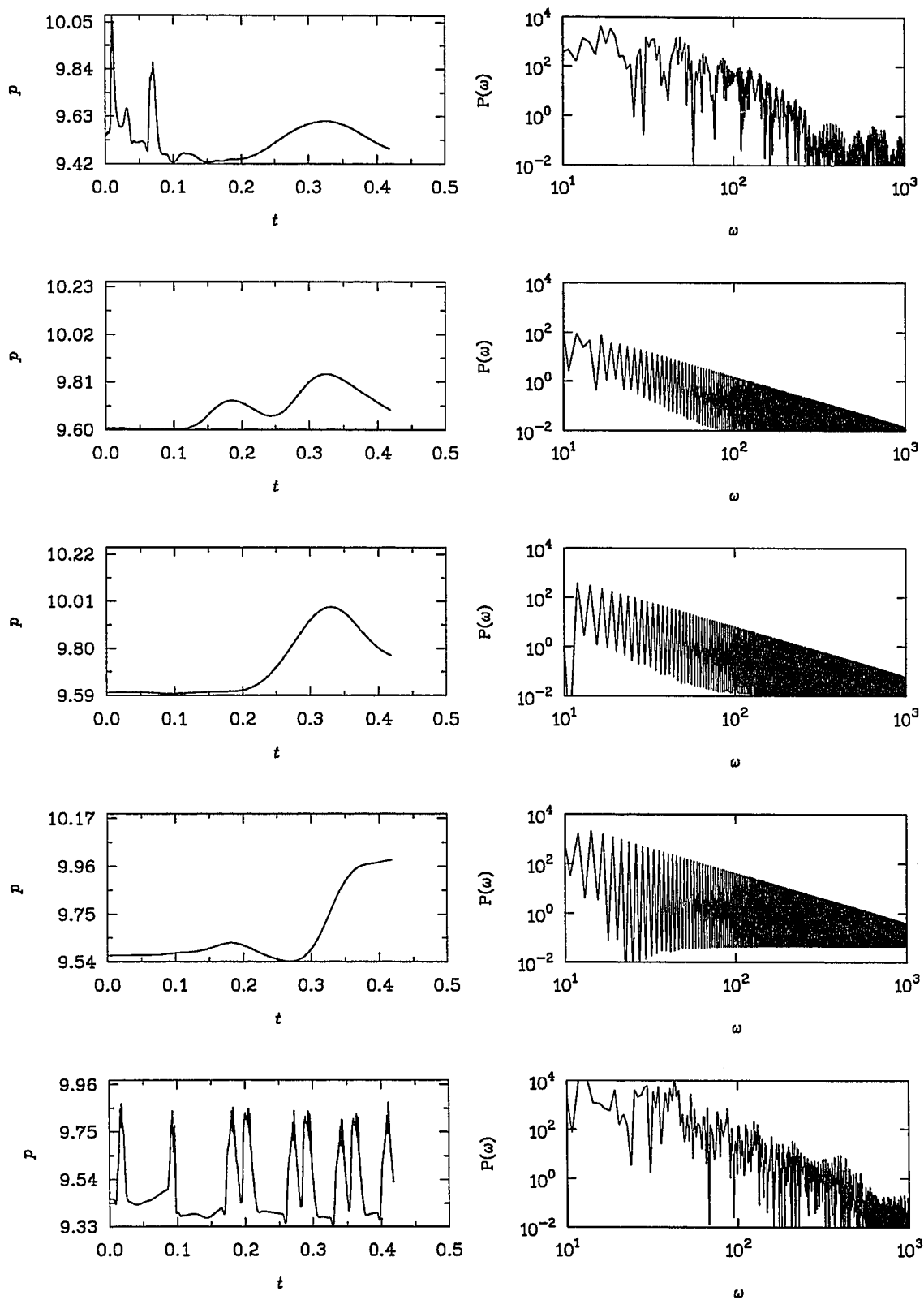


Fig. 7.23: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #13

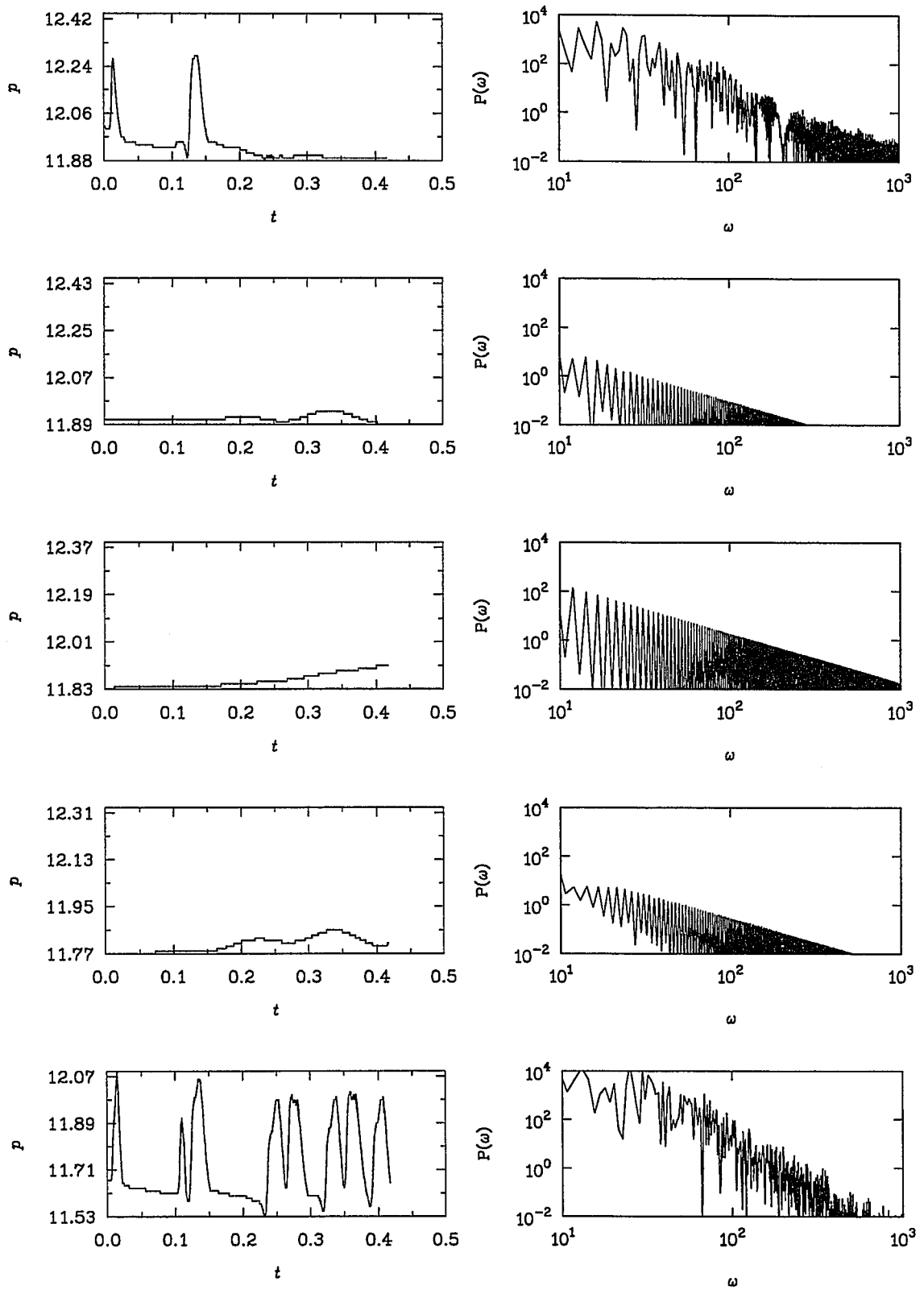


Fig. 7.24: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #14

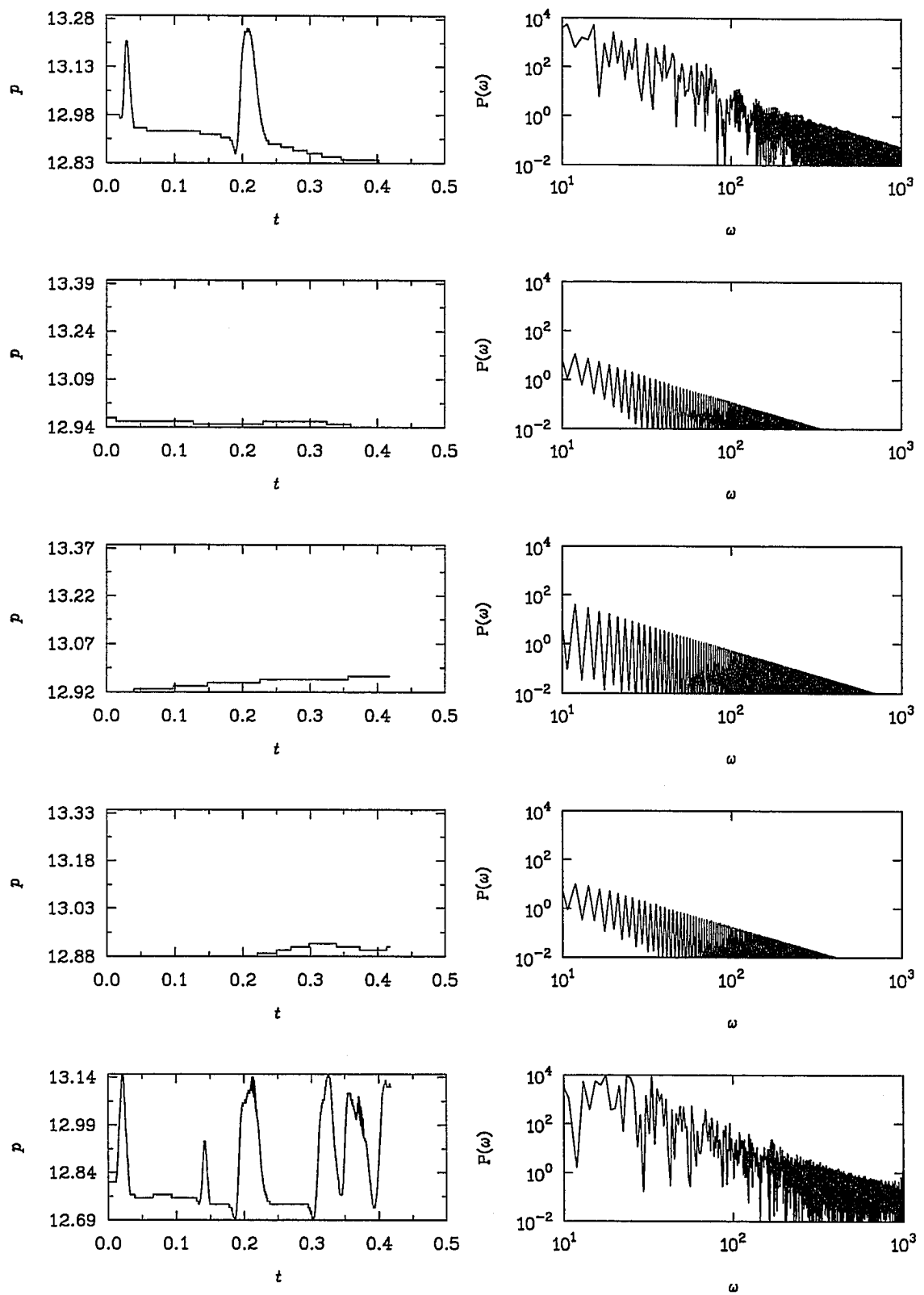


Fig. 7.25: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #15

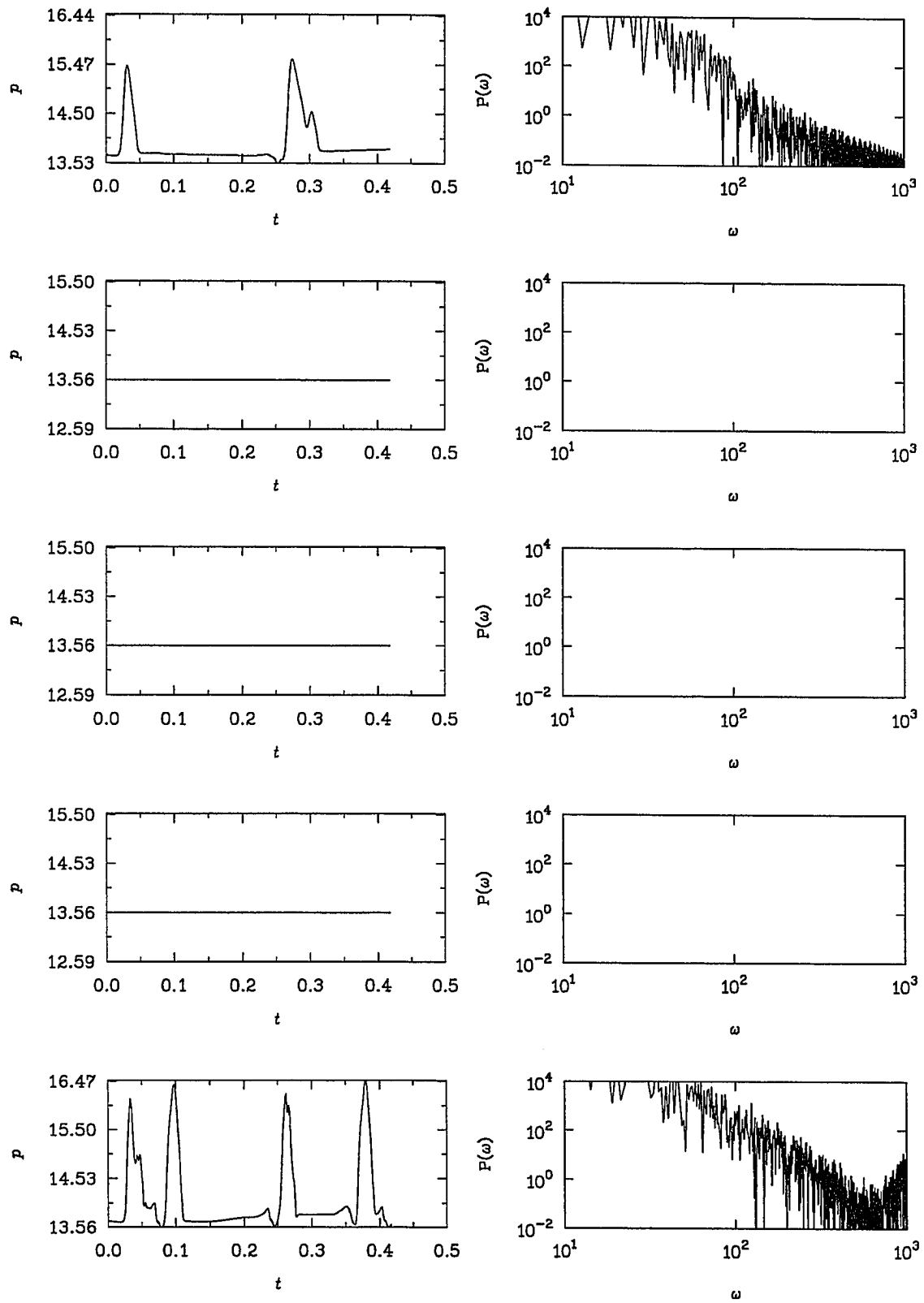


Fig. 7.26: Supersonic inlet flow (VDC); Pressure time series and power spectra on Plane #16

physical distance, the bleed is between  $x/R_c = 2.5831$  and  $x/R_c = 2.6883$ . Eight grid points were prescribed upstream of the tip of the centerbody and 76 downstream of the bleed. The location of  $x=0.0$  is the tip of the centerbody and the reference length  $R_c$  is the cowl lip radius which is measured from the centerline to the tip of the cowl. At the cowl surface, 141 grid points were distributed with the remaining 82 in the freestream. Finally, along the solid boundaries, the grids were radially packed to resolve the viscous layer. A blow-up of the fine grid in the bleed region is shown in Fig. 7.2 to illustrate the clustering of grid required for this area.

## 7.2 Solution Procedure

The full Navier–Stokes equations for curvilinear coordinates discussed in Chap. 4 is solved within the framework of the multigrid algorithm developed in Chap. 6. To match the experimental data, the present calculations were performed at a Mach number of 2.5 and Reynolds of  $3.89 \times 10^6$ . Laminar computations are not suitable at this high Reynolds number and as such the Baldwin–Lomax model was assumed for turbulence closure. Since flow is assumed unsteady, the global time–stepping is used to lock the time step at a constant value throughout the computational domain as the solution is advanced in physical time. This is opposed to the local time–stepping where the solution is advanced for each grid point at different rate depending on the local value of CFL number. The local time–stepping concept is, however, employed, in conjunction with multigrid, to accelerate the inner iteration through the pseudotime. Non–linear artificial viscosity was added explicitly for dissipation to damp the oscillation associated with the central differencing which was employed for spatial discretization.

## 7.3 Boundary and Initial Conditions

Freestream conditions are prescribed at the inflow plane, which is eight grid points ahead of the centerbody spike. At the exit plane, where the compressor face is located, three boundary

conditions (density, streamwise velocity and crossflow velocity) are extrapolated while the pressure is set to 13.56 to position the shock supercritically. The choice of this back pressure is based on the steady calculation of Saunders (1991) which is adapted here for initial conditions. No-slip boundary conditions are prescribed at both the cowl and centerbody surfaces, except for the bleed region. In the bleed region, the proper boundary conditions are crucial to obtain convergence of the solution. Also the accuracy of the solution is very sensitive to this boundary condition since it cuts through flow having high pressure and velocity gradients. The laminar bleed study done by Hamed (1990) gave profiles across the slot of tangential and normal velocity. This profile was used to specify the individual velocity components in the bleed region point by point. The 2% mass flow rate that was experimentally found sufficient to control the boundary layer is bled off in this study.

## **7.4 Discussion of Results**

The solutions obtained by Saunders (1991) which have established the required back pressure for the supercritical condition were followed for some more time steps on the three grids mentioned above (see Fig. 7.1(a-c)). The results of this preliminary work showed that coarsening the grid from the fine to the base case did not impair the accuracy of the solutions. Thus, for the subsequent computations in this work, the base case grid (223X99) will be used. The contour maps for pressure and Mach numbers obtained on the base grid which are used as initial conditions for the time accurate computation are shown in Fig. 7.3 and Fig. 7.4, respectively. From these figures, both the shock strength and position are well resolved. Figure 7.5 shows the velocity vector plot of the inlet flow, while Fig. 7.6 shows a blow-up of the velocity vectors in the bleed region. The flow remains attached to the solid boundaries and exhibits no recirculation anywhere. This is a supercritical case where the terminal shock is positioned downstream of the bleed to eliminate separation in the region upstream of the bleed slot.

Figure 7.7 shows the density contours after 10000, 20000, 30000 and 40000 time steps of time accurate computations. A close examination of the contour plots shows that, although there are slight variations in the structure of the flow field, the relative position and strength of the important features (e.g. shocks) are essentially preserved. To further study the unsteadiness that may be present in the flow field, a contour map of the static pressure at all times are plotted for the cowl and centerbody as shown in Fig. 7.8. From this figure, the flow field is generally unsteady and there is occasional fluctuation at the exit (into the compressor face). The fluctuation is probably caused by the longitudinal disturbance generated downstream of the terminal shock and convected by the boundary layer to the exit plane. These occasional instantaneous distortions at the engine face can adversely affect the stall margin of an engine. Vortex generators, which have the ability to mix the high-energy air with the low-energy boundary layer, may be used to significantly improve the distortion characteristics.

In the full scale experiment, the total pressure of the inlet flow field was surveyed at four planes including both the inlet throat and the exit. These were circumferentially indexed to avoid mutual interference effects. The number of rakes that can be used in this instance is limited by the requirement that any extraneous body in the inlet should not cause too much distortion to the flow field. This limitation is, however, not present with the computational experiment. For instance in this work, sixty numerical probes are strategically placed as shown in Fig. 7.9 for analysis. In this figure, surface 1 (S1) coincides with the centerbody while surface 5 (S5) coincides with the cowl (and its extension into the freestream). Plane 1 (P1) is the inflow plane, while plane 16 (P16) is the outflow plane.

A time step  $\Delta t = 10^{-5}$  was found to adequately resolve the important features of the inlet flow. For instance (see Fig. 7.10), for a probe located on plane 9 surface 5 (cowl), halving the time step did not improve the result, while increasing the time step did impair the solution. At time steps  $4\Delta t$  and  $8\Delta t$ , the flow departed markedly from the results given by  $\Delta t$ . These two

larger time steps, however, give identical result. This is due to the aliasing effect which occurs when less than two samples per cycle are taken in any measurement.

The pressure histories and their corresponding power spectra for all probe locations are shown in Figs. 7.11–7.26. In each figure, the first row corresponds to the centerbody location, while the last corresponds to the cowl location. From Figs. 7.11–7.13, which correspond to pressure measurement on planes 1, 2 and 3, only the centerbody displayed a measure of unsteadiness. The other probes on these planes measured the steady freestream conditions. On planes 4, 5 and 6 (see Figs. 7.14–7.16) slight unsteadiness is becoming observable and this is correspondingly represented in the frequency planes. Figures 7.17 through 7.26 exhibit more unsteady structures on both the cowl and centerbody than in the core flow. For instance, planes 10 and 11, which are directly on the bleed, exhibits some high frequency structures. The disturbance observable at the exit of the inlet might be due to the disturbance from the bleed region convected longitudinally within the boundary layer. Generally, broad band power spectra are obtained with no major fluctuation in the high frequency range except in the bleed region. That is, most of the structures are confined to the low frequency range. However, it is evident that the flow field is aperiodic. Moreover, the time series and power spectrum of some of the probe measurements suggest the possibility of chaotic phenomena (Berge et al. 1984).



## **Chapter 8**

### **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

For a numerical scheme it is often the practice that a suitable time step is chosen heuristically or is obtained based on the results of the stability studies of model scalar equations. For complicated multidimensional problems, however, this approach is not only inaccurate but also expensive. In this work the stability analysis of the full, coupled 3-D Euler and Navier–Stokes equations has been investigated for various numerical schemes. These schemes include three upwind difference based factorizations, namely Spatial, Eigenvalue and Combination splits, and two central difference based factorizations, namely the LU and ADI methods. In the former, both the Steger–Warming and van Leer flux–vector splitting methods are considered. The range of CFL numbers over which each scheme is stable and the optimum CFL numbers are cited.

In the process of computing the convergence characteristics of the above schemes, a measure of multigrid performance, namely the smoothing factor, is also evaluated. Computation of the smoothing factor is, however, restricted to the high frequency range only and does not incorporate the transfer processes that are fundamental to multigrid methods. The bi-grid procedure which was mathematically formulated to account for aliasing effects and the transfer operations has, therefore, been utilized to assess the performance of different numerical schemes for model problems using the diffusion, convection and linearized burger’s equations. Compared to bi-grid results, it is observed that the smoothing factor predicts poorly the performance of certain numerical schemes as smoothers for the multigrid procedure. Motivated by these results, the bi-grid method is further used to assess the

performance of multigrid computations of Euler and Navier–Stokes solutions under the selected numerical schemes. The schemes suitable for multigrid techniques are identified.

The established results from these predictions served as a guide in the implementation of the multigrid method for numerical computations using the Navier–Stokes equations. Convergence acceleration to steady states of various test cases ranging from inviscid to viscous flows are investigated for different geometries. A saving of up to 60% CPU time is obtained for several of the test cases. However, it was observed that for flows that are inherently unsteady, e.g. flows with flapping shocks, the multigrid technique as implemented failed to accelerate convergence. For such problems, multigrid implementation was modified to accommodate their inherent unsteadiness. As a test case for this technique, a very important practical problem, namely the Inlet flow, which is characterized by different kinds of flow unsteadiness, is investigated. For this problem, a time–accurate solution is accelerated with a CPU time saving of more than a factor of 20.

This study cannot be complete without pointing out the directions in which further research should be performed. Some time–stepping algorithms have been investigated for multigrid smoothers. It would be highly desirable to compile the smoothing properties of many more of the popularly used smoothers. In the present work, the bi–grid results have been compared to either the ideal multigrid sequence in the case of the model burger’s equation, or the Full Multigrid method in the case of the Beam–Warming ADI method. Effort should be made to measure the deviation of some other multigrid cycles from the bi–grid predictions. Finally, the unsteady multigrid algorithm can be extended to the 3–D Euler and Navier–Stokes equations.

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## APPENDIX A

### INVISCID FLUX JACOBIANS

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -u^2 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2}q^2 & (3-\gamma)u & -(\gamma-1)v & -(\gamma-1)w & (\gamma-1) \\ -uv & v & u & 0 & 0 \\ -uw & w & 0 & u & 0 \\ -u[\gamma e_o - (\gamma-1)q^2] & \gamma e_o - \frac{\gamma-1}{2}(q^2 + 2u^2) & -(\gamma-1)uv & -(\gamma-1)uw & \gamma u \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -uv & v & u & 0 & 0 \\ -v^2 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2}q^2 & -(\gamma-1)u & (3-\gamma)v & -(\gamma-1)w & (\gamma-1) \\ -uw & 0 & w & u & 0 \\ -v[\gamma e_o - (\gamma-1)q^2] & -(\gamma-1)uv & \gamma e_o - \frac{\gamma-1}{2}(q^2 + 2v^2) & -(\gamma-1)vw & \gamma v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -uw & w & 0 & u & 0 \\ -vw & 0 & w & v & 0 \\ -w^2 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2}q^2 & -(\gamma-1)u & -(\gamma-1)v & (3-\gamma)w & (\gamma-1) \\ -w[\gamma e_o - (\gamma-1)q^2] & -(\gamma-1)uw & -(\gamma-1)vw & \gamma e_o - \frac{\gamma-1}{2}(q^2 + 2w^2)u & \gamma w \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $p = (\gamma-1)(\rho e_o - 0.5\rho q^2)$  and  $q^2 = u^2 + v^2 + w^2$

## APPENDIX B

### VISCOUS FLUX JACOBIANS

$$R = \frac{\partial E_{v,z}}{\partial Q_z} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{4}{3}u & \frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -v & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -w & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{7}{Pr}(q^2 - e_0) - (\frac{4}{3}u^2 - v^2 - w^2) & u(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{7}{Pr}) & v(1 - \frac{7}{Pr}) & w(1 - \frac{7}{Pr}) & \frac{7}{Pr} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \frac{\partial F_{v,y}}{\partial Q_y} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -u & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{4}{3}v & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -w & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{7}{Pr}(q^2 - e_0) - (\frac{4}{3}v^2 - u^2 - w^2) & u(1 - \frac{7}{Pr}) & v(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{7}{Pr}) & w(1 - \frac{7}{Pr}) & \frac{7}{Pr} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y = \frac{\partial G_{v,z}}{\partial Q_z} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -u & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -v & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{4}{3}w & 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 \\ \frac{7}{Pr}(q^2 - e_0) - (\frac{4}{3}w^2 - u^2 - v^2) & u(1 - \frac{7}{Pr}) & v(1 - \frac{7}{Pr}) & w(\frac{4}{3} - \frac{7}{Pr}) & \frac{7}{Pr} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = \frac{\partial E_{v,y}}{\partial Q_y} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{3}v & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -u & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3}uv & v & -\frac{2}{3}u & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, R_2 = \frac{\partial E_{v,z}}{\partial Q_z} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3}w & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -u & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3}uw & w & 0 & -\frac{2}{3}u & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S_1 = \frac{\partial F_{v,z}}{\partial Q_z} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -v & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{3}u & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3}uv & -\frac{2}{3}v & u & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, S_2 = \frac{\partial F_{v,y}}{\partial Q_y} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3}w & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ -v & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3}vw & 0 & w & -\frac{2}{3}v & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Y_1 = \frac{\partial G_{v,z}}{\partial Q_z} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -w & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3}u & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3}uw & -\frac{2}{3}w & 0 & u & 0 \end{bmatrix}, Y_2 = \frac{\partial G_{v,y}}{\partial Q_y} = \frac{\mu}{\rho} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -w & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3}v & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{3}vw & 0 & -\frac{2}{3}w & v & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $Pr = \frac{\mu c_p}{k} = \frac{\mu \gamma c_p}{k}$ .

## APPENDIX C

### THE BI-GRID AMPLIFICATION MATRIX $\hat{M}(\Theta)$

$$\hat{M}(\Theta) = \begin{bmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} & M_{13} & M_{14} & M_{15} & M_{16} & M_{17} & M_{18} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} & M_{23} & M_{24} & M_{25} & M_{26} & M_{27} & M_{28} \\ M_{31} & M_{32} & M_{33} & M_{34} & M_{35} & M_{36} & M_{37} & M_{38} \\ M_{41} & M_{42} & M_{43} & M_{44} & M_{45} & M_{46} & M_{47} & M_{48} \\ M_{51} & M_{52} & M_{53} & M_{54} & M_{55} & M_{56} & M_{57} & M_{58} \\ M_{61} & M_{62} & M_{63} & M_{64} & M_{65} & M_{66} & M_{67} & M_{68} \\ M_{71} & M_{72} & M_{73} & M_{74} & M_{75} & M_{76} & M_{77} & M_{78} \\ M_{81} & M_{82} & M_{83} & M_{84} & M_{85} & M_{86} & M_{87} & M_{88} \end{bmatrix}$$

The diagonal elements are:

$$\begin{aligned} M_{11} &= \mathbf{I} - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^1) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^1) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^1) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^1) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^1) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \\ M_{22} &= \mathbf{I} - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^2) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^2) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^2) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^2) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^2) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \\ M_{33} &= \mathbf{I} - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^3) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^3) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^3) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^3) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^3) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \\ &\vdots \\ M_{88} &= \mathbf{I} - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^8) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^8) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^8) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^8) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^8) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

and the off-diagonal elements are:

$$M_{nm} = - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^n) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^m) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^m) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^n) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^m) \hat{L}_H^{-1}$$

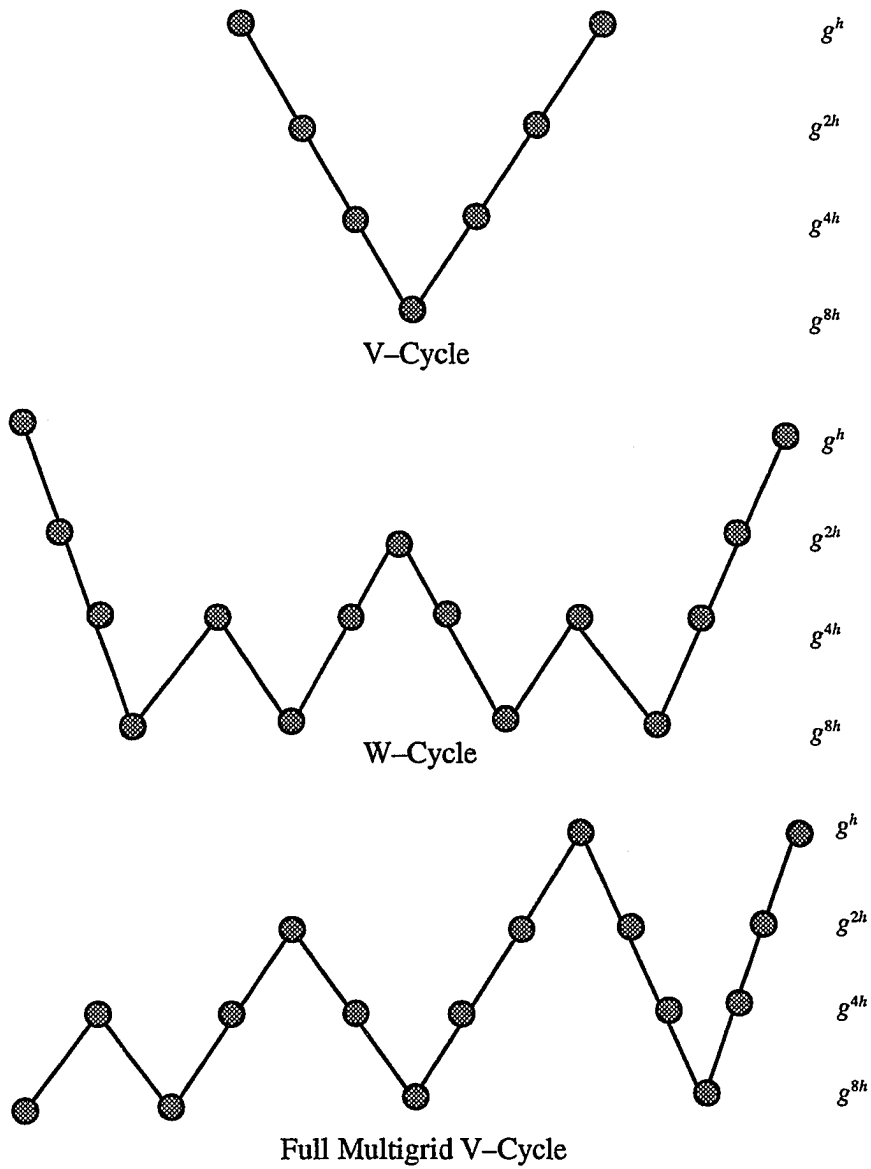
where, for example,

$$\begin{aligned} M_{21} &= - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^2) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^1) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^1) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^2) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^1) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \\ M_{32} &= - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^3) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^2) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^2) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^3) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^2) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \\ M_{84} &= - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^8) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^4) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^4) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^8) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^4) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \\ M_{76} &= - \hat{I}_H^h(\Theta^7) \hat{I}_h^H(\Theta^6) \hat{L}_h(\Theta^6) \hat{S}_1^{\nu_1}(\Theta^7) \hat{S}_2^{\nu_2}(\Theta^6) \hat{L}_H^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Each element is a 5x5 matrix corresponding to the 5 dependent variables.

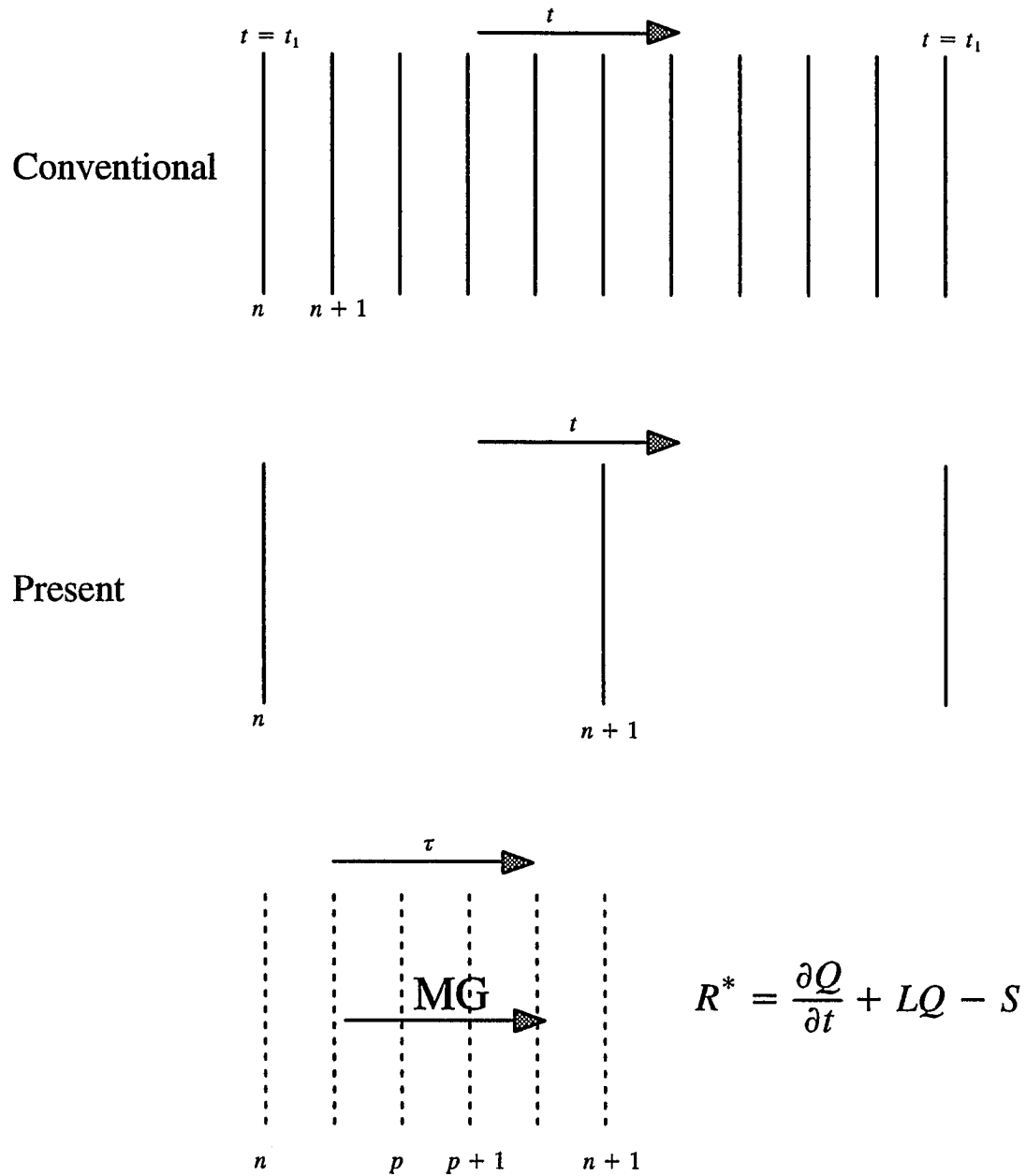
## APPENDIX D

### DIFFERENT MULTIGRID CYCLES



## APPENDIX E

### UNSTEADY MULTIGRID APPLICATION



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